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PREFACE.

THE period embraced by the present volume is the last ten months of the year 1654, during which time, in spite of occasional outbreaks of discontent, the power of the Protector became gradually consolidated, and the Government displayed vigour both in its foreign and domestic policy.

The long war with Holland was ended by a treaty of peace, which was proclaimed solemnly by the heralds in London, and a day of public thanksgiving was appointed to celebrate it (pp. 51, 112, 119, 162, 167, 189). The right of the flag was still maintained by the English, and it was submitted to by the Dutch, sometimes cordially; sometimes reluctantly, and only after a vigorous remonstrance that the refusal to strike the flag when within shot of an English man-of-war would be a violation of the articles of peace; at other times on compulsion only (pp. 176, 296, 304).

Several important domestic reforms were attempted. An Act was passed limiting and regulating the jurisdiction of Chancery (pp. 320–1). Also Acts and Ordinances for regulation of Customs and Excise (pp. 117–19, 151, 168); for relief of creditors and poor prisoners (p. 134), and for protection of the highways from the strain of too heavy loads, by limiting the number of draught horses and oxen to each cart, except such as were used for State purposes (pp. 59, 150, 178, 303). Also an Ordinance for indemnity of those who, during the civil wars, committed breaches of

the common law, in the interests of the State, *e.g.*, by seizing horses, arms, and provisions for the Parliament forces, distraining upon those who refused to pay their war assessments, &c., &c. A special committee for this purpose had been appointed in 1649, and had been in active operation, but its powers had now expired, and therefore all the rules of the Indemnity court were ordered to hold good in courts of law (p. 47).

An Ordinance also passed relating to ministers of religion. On report that many of these were disaffected to the present Government, 38 commissioners were appointed as a Committee for the Approbation of Public Preachers, and without their certificate no person was in future to be presented to any living or lectureship; all so appointed since 1st April 1653 were to be approved by this committee before 24th June 1654, on penalty of forfeiture; so also were the very large number of ministers to whom augmentations of livings from delinquents' estates or otherwise had been granted by Parliament (pp. 40–1), but the time prescribed as the limit for obtaining this approval was on request prolonged (p. 219).

The question of the management of the post office was again brought before Council, and many complaints were made of the fraudulent manner in which John Manley, the farmer of the post office, had obtained his contract, and of his violence and arbitrariness in its discharge, and the claims of the former undertakers were strongly urged. But after due discussion, Manley was confirmed in his office, on payment as before of 10,000*l.* a year (pp. 20–27).

An important Ordinance was drawn up for bringing into the receipt of the Exchequer all the moneys from multitudinous sources that had been paid into separate treasuries during the few past years, *e.g.*, excise, customs, prize

money, the moneys arising from the sale or letting of estates of delinquents and recusants, of bishops, deans, and chapters, and also from the Crown lands; the monthly assessments for maintenance of the army, &c., &c. These moneys were now all to be paid into the Treasury at Westminster, and a large number of expensive officials, employed at the several treasuries, were discharged (pp. 215, 356).

The multiplicity of treasuries had been found not only a fruitful source of expense but a shelter for roguery. A gigantic system of fraud had been set up by Col. Rob. Thorpe, a very extensive purchaser of fee-farm rents (p. 151), aided by Abr. Granger, who contrived to get hold of original warrants on several of the public treasuries, and by counterfeiting them, to draw large sums, and he had numerous accomplices.

By the apprehension and examination of the principal criminals, the whole scheme of villany was gradually unfolded. Warrants had been counterfeited on the treasuries of the navy, prize office, Worcester house, and the custom house, and so skilfully that the clerks were deceived, and paid them without suspicion of the fraud (pp. 340–1, 378–9, 381).

Granger was brought at length to confess that four fifths of the public faith bills were counterfeited, and that two thirds of the claims were false (p. 398); that 10,000*l.* had been forged of Irish accounts, and he named agents who had framed for him false debentures and public faith bills to the value of from 80,000*l.* to 20,000*l.* each, total value 235,000*l.* (pp. 11, 415–9). The details of the contrivances both in making and passing the warrants are given at full in the letters and examinations.

The elections for the new Parliament appointed to meet on 3rd September 1654 were subjects of lively interest, and in many cases of keen discussion. Government acted

with energy and caution to secure suitable returns; forms of indenture were issued between the sheriffs and the electors, both of counties and boroughs, to choose for the former "fit and discreet knights, girt with swords," and for the latter "burgesses of good know-"ledge and discretion;" but with proviso that they do not alter the form of government as now settled in a single person and Parliament. Also with the proclamation of the writs for election, the Instrument of government by which Cromwell held his power was to be publicly read (pp. 201–2). By this all who had acted against Parliament since 1641 were disqualified alike from sitting in Parliament and from voting at the elections.

These precautions notwithstanding, complaints poured in to the Protector, to Council, and to the Committee for Elections, of the return of disaffected persons. They occurred chiefly, as might be expected, in the western counties, and in Wales and the adjacent counties, which were the nests of the Royalist party.

From Tiverton the burgesses complained that their election of Major John Blackmore was nullified by the intrusion of disqualified voters, who elected Rob. Shapcote, a field officer under the late King, a great friend of their sequestrated minister, and moreover a promoter and frequenter of gaming, alehouses, and cockfights, and an associate of Cavaliers in drinking, card-playing, &c. (pp. 279–280).

At Bristol the election was a scene of great tumult and commotion. Geo. Hellier, the mayor, and the sheriffs declared that they had taken the opinion of counsel on the right of voting, and this opinion, contrary to the instrument of government, was that all freeholders might vote, whether of the late King's party or not, "whereon the "cavalier party carried things as if there were no

"Commonwealth or Protector, but as if Charles Stuart "were again enthroned." The members thus elected were Rob. Adworth and Ald. Miles Jackson; the latter had contributed to the late King, and signed the engagement to him and the protestation against serving under the Earl of Essex.

Col. Adrian Scrope, governor of Bristol, appealed to the Protector, stating that he never saw the city in a worse posture, the godly party exceedingly insulted by their enemies, and they thinking to carry all before them (pp. 331–3).

From Merionethshire Rich. Vaughan, the defeated candidate, complained that the election had been ordered at Bala, an inconvenient corner of the county; that 40 armed malignants had been brought in to overawe the voters; that he had been ordered out of court and abused and affronted by the justices of peace, then sitting at sessions; that notwithstanding all this, the majority was in his favour, but the sheriff counted the votes in an obscure place, and then declared as returned John Vaughan of Kenenbodig, a commissioner of array against Parliament, who had previously offered not to oppose the complainant's election if he would promise not to prosecute Edw. Vaughan for 9,000*l.* due to the State (p. 299.)

A charge was made against Bennett Hoskins, elected for Hereford, of having acted under a commission from the late King in raising men, horses, and arms; of having brought in men and arms to defend the city for the King, and of having left it with his eldest son when the Scots besieged it, and joined the King's party (pp. 311–2). Like objections were made against Rich. Read, the county member, that he was a commissioner for the King, and active in encouraging the people against Parliament. The well affected of the county sent a remonstrance

representing their joy on hearing of the resolution to hold triennial Parliaments, the members of which were to be of known reputation and fearing God; and their disappointment that, for want of careful scrutiny, many malignants, prelaticals, or neuters in Christ's cause, were likely to be returned. They beg that no worldly policy will allow the election of any without a signal testimony of grace, and declaration of fidelity to the Commonwealth. This petition was signed by six justices of peace, eight ministers, and 178 others (pp. 319–20).

Exceptions were made to Sir John Pine, the member for Montgomeryshire, that he was an M.P. in 1642, but deserted, and sat in the Oxford Parliament; that he came not in till Montgomery Castle was taken, and when he would else have been sequestered, as his whole estate lay there; that he then, by plausible pretences, obtained the governorship of the castle, and that he endeavoured to betray it to the enemy (p. 346).

The burgesses of Peterborough complained that though they elected Major Alex. Blake, a person of known integrity, who always stuck close by the interest of Parliament, the disaffected nominated Hum. Orme, a Cavalier, and a swearer, drunkard, and quarreller; that the bailiff refused to read the instrument of government, and would not take the votes of any who lived within the Minster close, and by this means, secured the majority for Orme (p. 313).

The well affected of Surrey petitioned against the return of Col. Rob. Wood of Kingston, a godless swearer, who refused to send forces to Worcester, sided with the Cavaliers, and in the Earl of Holland's rising, engaged never to act against them; but on the other hand, a counter certificate was sent in that he did send a horse and arms, with a month's pay, to Worcester, and seven

godly ministers certified that, whilst he was commissioner for Surrey, he did not oppose but countenance the ministers (p. 314).

The London citizens acknowledged God's mercies through the acting of some choice instruments in army and Parliament, but alleged that some were chosen city members whose actions have shown disaffection, and if such sit in Parliament, they fear to be bereft of present mercies, and disappointed of future hopes (p. 328).

There are also petitions against undue elections on other grounds than disaffection. The freeholders of Warwickshire objected to the choice of Sir Rich. Temple, Bart., because he was under age, but chosen on the sheriff's assurance to the electors that the Protector had granted him a dispensation, and they begged leave to choose another member (p. 306).

The inhabitants of the Isle of Ely complained that though they wished to elect Secretary Thurloe and Lieut.-Colonel Fras. Underwood, George Glapthorne, their chief bailiff, employed his under bailiffs to obtain for himself the votes of those who feared arrest, or the being returned on juries; that he changed the place of election suddenly from Ely to Wisbeach, surrounding the voting places with noisy drunkards, who excluded 124 persons from voting at all, and thus procured his own return, though he was in debt and a swearer and tippler. Glapthorne sent a counter petition, alleging his services to Parliament, and accusing his opponents of libel and undue practices (pp. 327–8).

Two Bedfordshire gentlemen sent an information that Mr. Dell, minister of Yeilden, met them, the day before the election, and asked for whom they would vote. They replied Sir Wm. Butler, when he bade them take care what they did, for the Protector did not wish Butler to be chosen, and had sent down an order about it; that

if they chose such men, their tithes, taxes, &c. would be continued; but if they would choose Col. Okey, Mr. Taylor, &c. they were good men, and against the paying of tithes and taxes (p. 334).

At Great Yarmouth a dispute arose about the right of free election. It had been the ancient custom of the borough for the members to be elected by the aldermen and common council men only, and they accordingly chose two members, whereupon the free burgesses claimed their right of voting "and proceeded in a popular way to "elect two other burgesses;" an act which the corporation stigmatise as "of dangerous consequence to the "future peace of the place" (p. 284).

On August 21st, the elections being considered as completed, letters were prepared to the sheriffs of the several counties, containing lists of the persons in their respective sheriffdoms chosen to serve in Parliament, as approved by Council, and against whom no exception is depending, that they may give the persons chosen due notice to attend (pp. 318–323).

On August 28th, President Lawrence wrote to Lord Chief Justice St. John, and to Whitelock and Lisle, Commissioners of the Great Seal, requesting their attendance at Council, as weighty matters had to be considered before the meeting of Parliament (p. 337).

On September 19th, a day of fasting and humiliation was ordered to be held on October 11th, to supplicate God to remove darkness, profaneness, and formality, and to enable the rulers of these nations to proceed with zeal, wisdom, and union, to act for the interest of Christ and good of his people (p. 368).

Thus opened Cromwell's first Parliament.

Of the Protector personally few notices appear in the present volume, except from the pen of Sir Edw. Nicholas,

Secretary of State of Charles II. He writes on August 22nd that Cromwell, by his fleet in the Downs, keeps all neighbouring princes in awe, but it must be an excessive expense to maintain it so long; yet he will abate no forces by sea or land till he sees how this Parliament, many of whom are notorious Presbyterians, will go on; adding that he seems to run absolutely their way, with which the Independents and Anabaptists, being the greatest part of his army, are much unsatisfied; but that he will probably purge the new elections (under pretence of such as are not upright men) till he has brought them all to be of his impious principles, as it is unlikely that ever he should rely on the Presbyterians (pp. 324–5).

Cromwell was not frequent in his attendance at the transaction of business at Council, which was the ruling power except during the sittings of Parliament. Out of 164 sittings held in the 10 months comprised in the present volume, he was present only at 28; but not the less he held the reins of government with a firm hand. He frequently modified the orders of Council, and none were allowed to pass without his assent.

Much pains was taken and much expense incurred in surrounding the Protector with the customary appliances of sovereignty. He had his life-guard, at the high rate of wages of 5*s.*, equal to at least 1*l.* of our present money, daily (p. 218); it consisted of 45 gentlemen, besides officers, exclusive of 10 who were sent in attendance on Gen. Monk in Scotland (p. 378), and of a foot-guard appointed for the Mews (p. 286).

Council was ordered to bring in a model for the settlement of his family of attendants, and arrangements were made about money for its expenses (pp. 44, 217). The payments for it for which there are warrants

during the 10 months amount to 65,000*l.*,* exclusive of 5,000*l.* for repairs of his residences, and 6,592*l.* 17*s.* 7½*d.* for furniture (pp. 444–459). This consisted chiefly of the tapestry, hangings, and other goods belonging to the late King, which had been scattered or sold, and were now to be repurchased (pp. 69, 70, 146, 208, 338, 403). We find among them tapestries of the story of Vulcan, Mars, and Venus, which were bought at a cost of 350*l.* for his lodgings at Whitehall; also of the story of Hero and Leander, which cost 180*l.*, and that of Hercules. Also the rich canopies, chairs of state, crimson velvet bed furniture, &c. which had been sent from Stirling Castle (p. 291). The total value of the Crown goods thus appropriated was estimated at 35,497*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.* (p. 360).

His plate was new and provided specially, and this and his household goods were directed to have the precedence in payment over other claims (pp. 92, 286).

The royal parks and residences were also to be repurchased and cleared for his use, viz., Hampton Court (pp. 32, 203, 223, 347); St. James's Fields (p. 39); Windsor Park and Bushy Close (pp. 99, 129, 144, 227, 276); Whitehall, — a portion of which was set apart for the Protector, and was ordered to be furnished "according to instructions from her Highness the Lady "Cromwell" (pp. 70, 395);—and also the Mews there, the removal from which of many of the servants of the late King was a cause of much distress, and brought in a host of petitions (pp. 137–9).

Some of these properties having been sold with the rest

* The following year Council settled 80,000*l.* upon him for his household expenses, and Parliament granted him 200,000*l.* for the expenses of his government.—Ed.

of the Crown lands, they had to be repurchased, with a bonus to the proprietors for consenting to part with their bargains.

Of Cromwell's children, the only notices that occur are that the Admiralty Commissioners were dismissed from their place of sitting in Whitehall, as the rooms were required for Lord Richard (p. 401); and that Lord Henry Cromwell was sent to Ireland as Lord Lieutenant of the State's forces, and made one of the Council there (pp. 321, 328, 382, 464, 471).

Of the movements of the exiled King and his party, the notices are scanty. There is a list of sums promised by the German nobility, 19 Counts of the Wettarabian College, towards the King's subsistence, amounting to 1,764 rix dollars monthly, for 3 or 4 months (p. 111).

A letter from Sec. Nicholas on Aug. 22 records the efforts made by those about Charles to persuade him to comply with the Presbyterians, because of the numbers of that party chosen to sit in this mock Parliament (p. 325). Another, dated 8th December, records his "care and piety" to prevent the perversion of his young brother, the Duke of Gloucester, to the Romish faith, through the strong influence brought to bear on him by the Queen mother. Nicholas adds that it were much to the King's honour that his industry in this matter should be known, but that it would bring too much discredit on the Queen, for that, on the duke's insisting to obey his father and brother, and refusing to turn Papist, the Queen forbade him her Court, and denied him her parting blessing or leave to kiss her hand (p. 407).

The King's party in England had contrived a plot to be executed this spring, which had been communicated to Charles, and encouraged by Prince Rupert, the leading

features of which were to be the murder of the Protector on his way to Hampton Court, the seizure of the guards at St. James's, and of Whitehall and the Council; then the Lord Mayor was to be compelled to proclaim Charles Stuart king. The plot was discovered, and a curious account of the trial of the principal conspirators, Gerard, Vowell, and Fox, was written by John Lisle, one of the Lord Commissioners of the Great Seal, who was appointed president of the High Court of Justice commissioned for the purpose.

The legal points raised on this trial are worthy of notice. To begin with, Judge Atkins refused to sit on the commission because he had already taken an oath not to act contrary to the laws of England, by which laws no man ought to be tried for his life, except by a jury. Vowell, one of the prisoners, took the same exception, but was answered that the commissioners were all his peers, and were twice the number of a jury, which jury was not requisite according to the Ordinance by which he was to be tried. He then argued that the law making it death to kill the Protector was only just passed, and that not by Parliament. He was answered that the Protector and Council had power to make laws, which should be binding till order be taken in Parliament. To this he rejoined that if he were questioned for his life on a temporary Ordinance, and should die by it, how could his life be restored should Parliament reverse the Ordinance? The argument was then used,—coming strangely from the lips of the advocates of a government based on the execution of Charles I.,—that by a statute of 25 Edw. III., as well as by later laws, it had been made treason to compass the death of the supreme magistrate of this nation, whether called king, queen, or by what name soever.

The prisoners were all condemned to death, but with

hope of reprieve for Fox, who had confessed his guilt and expressed regret, whilst Vowell had spoken to the people, inciting them to sedition (pp. 233–240). Several of the persons implicated in this plot had not been secured, and therefore in May a proclamation was issued, that as the enemies of peace, notwithstanding the signal experiences of God in frustrating their designs, are still attempting to involve the nation in bloodshed, and sending emissaries from beyond seas, the constables of London and Westminster are to require from all householders lists of their lodgers since 19th May, and none are to be allowed to depart, or to change lodgings within 10 days, without license (pp. 184–5).

On 8th June a search was made in London, including Southwark, Lambeth, and Westminster, and all persons who were suspected and would not give a satisfactory account of themselves were apprehended. These were so numerous that they were sent to three places of confinement, and four committees, consisting in the whole of 31 persons, were appointed to examine them, and especially to see if any of these could be identified with a Col. Phillips, who had escaped from the Tower, Col. Chas. Finch, Major Thos. Henshaw, or Col. Deane, all men connected with the late plot, or seven others named.

The instructions to the commissioners ordered them to classify the prisoners into Irishmen, Foreigners, Papists, persons engaged against Parliament since 1648, persons without visible mode of subsistence, and persons suspicious on any particular ground. The reports were to be made as quickly as possible (pp. 204–5.)

A French gentleman, bearer of a letter to the French ambassador's lady, a German, upon whom was found a list of the forces of the Commonwealth, and another, a Roman Catholic, upon whom was found nothing but a profane poem, were stayed. Also John, son of the old Lord Digby,

and brother of the Earl of Bristol, who was taken going without pass to France, in a shallop with three horses (p. 195). An order was issued that Digby and the German should be sent up in custody to London, and there committed to the serjeant-at-arms, and they were to be examined by Commissary Gen. Whalley and Col. Goffe (p. 203).

Stringent measures were adopted against in-comers as well as out-goers. The Dover and other packet boats were ordered to be closely watched, and all suspected persons arrested. Among these was Thomas, son of Lord Arundel of Wardour, who had come from Flanders with his two servants, but they were allowed to pass to London on the father's security for their doing nothing prejudicial (p. 187). On 31st May, 28 English, Scotch, and Dutch passengers who arrived from Dunkirk, three of them with an important packet for the Prince of Condé's agent in London, were stayed at Dover, though they had no letters of moment, and in spite of their importunity, could not be allowed to pass without leave from head-quarters (pp. 191–2).

Other ports, as Liverpool, Weymouth, Rye, Gravesend, &c., also sent up tidings of persons whom they had stayed, and requested directions (pp. 190, 195–6), and Council wrote to the port officers an order to strictly examine all passengers, outwards or inwards, as to the object of their journeys, search their papers, examine into their fidelity to the State, and on cause of suspicion, keep them in custody till further orders (pp. 199–200).

On 4th July, fresh letters were issued to the officers of 34 ports to use their uttermost diligence in searching all vessels, coming in or going out, for suspicious persons, and to use a more than ordinary vigilance in creeks and small outlets, where dangerous persons would probably apply (p. 243).

Great care was also taken to prevent any general gatherings of the people, on what pretext soever. Meetings of the Quakers in Derbyshire were prohibited, lest, under this pretext, prejudicial designs should be prosecuted (pp. 210–1). On 6th July, on tidings from Berwick, the bishopric of Durham, and other places in the north, of the assembling of people and horses, especially of the disaffected—who, "notwithstanding the late discovery made of "their plans by God's grace, are not yet discouraged from "their plottings"—proclamations were issued strictly prohibiting all meetings of Papists and disaffected persons, and troops were sent down to assist in preventing them. A letter from Council to Capt. Chas. Howard on the subject is entered in the Council order book, and a later hand has added in the margin the following note: "Old Noll's rules to put down interludes (?) of the 99; "then to govern the 100th.—J. C." (pp. 245–6).

Similar orders were issued relative to meetings of Papists, Jesuits, and ill-affected persons at Wolverhampton. Sir John Worley and Capt. John Stone were ordered to inquire into the matter, prevent such meetings, apprehend dangerous persons, and proceed with priests and Jesuits according to law (p. 307).

Apprehensions were not likely to be quieted by examinations taken of several mariners of the Elizabeth man-of-war, who reported hearing one Rich. Thursby say that 5,000 of the King of Scots' old soldiers had entered the army, and as many more the navy, to cut the throats of the Protector's men; that he hoped soon to see the Protector's throat cut, and 10,000 more of the grandees, and that he and 500 more had entered the State's ships on purpose to blow up and destroy them (p. 247).

A private letter of 26th September records that the

writer is troubled because of the general discontent abroad, and because many who are in trust, and commanders of ships in the expedition about to go under Gen. Blake on foreign service, are Cavaliers; and one of the officers alleged that although Blake endeavoured to draw them to close with the present Government, yet three parts of the fleet, should opportunity offer, would turn their broadsides against the Protector and the present government, as freely as ever they did against the King (pp. 371–2).

In some parts of England, where the delinquents (as Royalists were generally called) had succeeded in retaining or regaining their estates, as notably in Lancashire, Cheshire, and Cumberland, the tenants presented heavy complaints of the oppressions of their delinquent landlords, the "bloody Papists and Cavaliers," whose malice is seven times hotter than before; who have turned out some of them, and threaten to turn out the rest for their service to Parliament; who exact fines and heriots, compel labour, and forbid the felling of wood or digging for stone. They appeal to the Protector to be "the Moses to this English Israel," and take this Egyptian yoke off their necks. The reply was the appointment of separate committees for each of the three counties, which should try to accommodate between landlords and tenants (pp. 294–5).

It was the avowed principle of Commonwealth rule to recognise as public debts those which had been incurred in the service of the late King, before the commencement of the civil war, but the principle was not carried out into practice. The Revenue Committee passed lists of bills for 6,000*l.* due to the King's servants, but after 800*l.* had been paid, they complained that they had received nothing for three-quarters of a year, and were wanting food and raiment. Thereupon 800*l.* more was ordered, and they

were told that there would be no further payments, so that their longer attendance would be useless (pp. 15–6).

An order had been passed that the late King's goods should be sold for the benefit of his numerous creditors and servants, but this was defeated by Cromwell's appropriation of the goods yet undisposed of. They therefore begged an Ordinance granting them such moneys as they could get in by discovery of the King's personal concealed estate, that they might have something to keep them from starving (p. 104).

Inquiry was then ordered as to what part of the goods had been employed, and how the late trustees for their sale might best be brought to account, complaints having been made and proved that the trustees had violated their trust, and disposed of the goods unjustly, whilst the servants were starving and in prison (pp. 230, 255).

On the part of the trustees it was urged that, in the list of goods sent in by the servants, many are named which were never committed to their charge; that there is a design against them, and that the servants' claims should be carefully looked into, as many claim more than their due, many were paid up to 1642, and many are delinquents, and should not be paid at all (pp. 278–9).

The result of the investigation was the production of several accounts, the final one showing that, after the reservation of goods to the Protector and of goods otherwise pledged and disposed of, the balance due was 9,717*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.* This sum was ordered to be paid to the servants, it is true, but it was assigned upon the tardily gathered and already overcharged fines imposed by the Act of Grace on the people of Scotland (pp. 360–1, 403). Cases of petitions of individual servants occur on pp. 127, 298, 326, &c.

The government of Scotland presented serious difficulties; the country was nominally in subjection, but a linger-

ing warfare was still carried on by Col. Middleton in the west, and Monk was sent as commander-in-chief to Scotland to oppose him. Monk's instructions, dated April 6th, were to learn the state of the country, particularly the Highlands, and the best way of reducing them; to grant pardons to all who shall be willing to come in, provided their estates are under 400*l.* a year; and to entertain, if needful, a regiment of 600 Highlanders. Since many in Scotland, who did not themselves take arms, encouraged the Highland rebels by sending them horses, arms, and money, all such offenders were to be punished by an imposition of the same service for the Parliament army as they had given to their opponents. All Englishmen taken in arms with the enemy were to be put to death, and all Scots sent to foreign plantations (pp. 83–5.)

The chief notices of the contest occur in letters from commanders of ships appointed to guard the coasts, and to convey supplies to the troops at Inverlochy, Ayr, and elsewhere on the western coast (pp. 261, 297, 317, 366), and also to surprise the Royalist men-of-war, called Charles Stuart's Booters, cruising about Pentland and the coasts, who took merchant vessels, and sold what they got in Caithness, a place wholly devoted to him (p. 255).

In April, troops were sent by the Protector to Northumberland, to protect it from a party of the enemy's horse which lately came over the borders, and infested the northern counties (p. 100). On 16th April, Capt. Sherwin, sent to Inverness with supplies for Col. Morgan, reports that the colonel lies 20 miles off on the river Tayn, with a large party of horse and foot, the enemy being on the other side in Sutherland and Caithness, advancing their levies, which increase but slowly, though they force the generality of the people. He adds, "They have got on "a neck of land, and if they have but a stomach to fight

" with us, as they have with one another, the roguish " gang will be dissipated. There is *like* to be good order " and discipline among them, when their chiefs fight " single hand, one with the other, for superiority!" (p. 102). The result of these dissensions in the ill-disciplined army of the Royalists soon became apparent.

A private letter of 3rd August alludes to " the consider- " able success our forces have had against the Scotch " under Middleton" (p. 286), in consequence of which that general attempted to transport his forces to the Isle of Skye; in this he was opposed, not only by a Parliament ship, but by Sir Jas. Macdonald, governor of the isle, who defeated him and compelled him to retreat to Lochaber, where his position was rendered worse by the capture of the man-of-war that had brought him over from Holland, and had been skulking about the isles of Scotland ever since (p. 367).

As a consequence of his ill fortune, the Highlanders began to come in daily, and place themselves under the protection of Col. Bryan or Brayne, the Parliamentary commander at Inverlochy in Lochaber (p. 382). On 11th December, Col. Brayne, writing from thence, records that the enemy are not considerable, are far northward, and that all diligence is used to impede their levies. Also that this place, which was their safe place of retreat and recruit, is now very peaceable and in a posture of defence, and with the force of the garrison, will be able to oppose any they can bring (p. 408).

The seeming hopelessness of the Royalist cause led one after another of the Scotch nobles who had embraced it to accept the articles which Monk was authorised, on behalf of the Protector, to offer them. Their personal safety was guaranteed, on their giving security in large sums for their peaceable deportment. Also their estates, real and personal, were allowed them, but with the proviso that

such portions as had been given away by way of donative from the late Parliament, the Commissioners in Scotland, or the Protector, should not be restored.

They were forbidden to remain in any place not approved by the Protector, on pain of forfeiting their security; nor were they allowed to hold meetings of their vassals for courts baron, except by leave from the commander-in-chief; also they were strictly prohibited, on pain of forfeiture of articles, from inflicting any punishment on those of their tenantry who had remained neuter, or had assisted the Parliamentary party during the wars.

All arms were to be surrendered to the commanders of the nearest garrison, the officers retaining their horses and swords on security, the soldiers selling their horses. It was then customary to transport prisoners of war to the Barbadoes, but those belonging to the capitulators were to be released and restored. These articles were taken between August 24th and September 23rd, 1654, by John Earl of Athol, William Earl of Glencairn, James Lord Forester, Robert Viscount Kenmure, and James Marquis of Montrose.

In the civil administration of the country, there was a tendency to leniency in the carrying out of regulations which were sufficiently rigorous. The commissioners for administering justice were instructed to moderate their decrees against debtors, and to allow time for payment, but with interest, and to compel the creditors to take land at a competent rate in payment (p. 77).

Sir Alex. Gibson of Ducie, co. Fife, pleaded for and obtained indemnity against creditors to whom, as treasurer of the Scots' army in 1640 and 1641, he gave bonds for payments for the army, which had been declared by Act of Parliament to be public debts, but in default of repayment, he was sued by the creditors, and in danger of imprisonment and loss of estate (pp. 125–6, 183).

Ordinances were also passed for better support of the universities and public preachers in Scotland; for setting up lectures, and for allowing certain debts and payments to Glasgow University (p. 288).

An Ordinance of grace and pardon for the people of Scotland was drawn up, and after much discussion, and the adding of several provisoes, it was passed, and became law (p. 90). Its bearing was threefold. It specified several persons as excluded from its benefits, and this exclusion involved the entire forfeiture of their estates (p. 163). It inflicted fines on many nobles and others, so heavy that to them its graciousness was more than doubtful; but it pardoned fully all who were not included in its exceptions, and thereby presented an inducement to the humbler classes to acquiesce in Parliamentary rule. The fined nobles and gentry remonstrated strongly against the amounts required from them, as impossible to be raised from their ruined estates; they were met by an order to pay in one third of the amount, when the Commissioners for Sequestration in Scotland should be authorised to hear their plea for mitigation of the remainder (pp. 210, 246). Those who happened to be in London were to be heard before Council (p. 249). Lambert drew up a report, upon which an Ordinance for mitigation was passed, but the details of its working do not appear till the following year (pp. 263, 285).

Among the petitioners were the tutors of Mary Scott, aged six years, heir to the late Earl of Buccleugh, who beg relief from the fine of 15,000*l.* set upon the estate by the Act of pardon for Scotland, as its condition is such that it will else be in danger of confiscation by payment of such a fine. They plead further that her father only lived to be 25 years old, was active to further

the Gospel and the good of the people, and was averse to the invasion of 1648 (p. 223).

William, Earl Marshal of Scotland, was taken prisoner and sent to the Tower in September 1651, for being in arms against the State; he pleads that he never was in arms, but was seized while riding peaceably from his own house to Elliott, but that he finds himself excluded in the late Act of pardon for Scotland, to the utter ruin of himself and his posterity. Moreover, his entire estate is made over to trustees, so that he cannot support his expenses in the Tower, and begs maintenance for himself and family. This was granted to the amount of 3*l.* and then of 5*l.* a week (pp. 163, 273, 302, 312).

An Ordinance was also passed for settling estates in Scotland, but in the practical working, it was found greatly to interfere with the donatives out of forfeited estates which had been largely granted by the Parliament of Scotland. A compromise was made by allowing to the owners of donatives compensation for their lost estates, at 10 years' purchase, payable from the fines to be levied by the Act of pardon (pp. 90, 186). This privilege was extended to donatives made by the English Commissioners in Scotland as well as by the Parliament of Scotland (pp. 195, 220).

The union between the two Parliaments, which had been a subject of serious discussion the preceding year, was now completed, and an Ordinance issued accordingly. All the Scottish nation were thereby discharged from any allegiance to Charles Stuart, and he and all the issue of the late King were disabled from holding the crown of Scotland. All kingly office and the right of the three Estates in Scotland were taken away, and all ferfeitures, rents, &c. formerly belonging to the Crown, were to fall to the Protector. All goods were to pass custom free between

the two countries, and all taxes to be borne proportionably by both (pp. 90–1).

Scotland was however allowed only 30 members of Parliament, 20 to stand for the counties and 10 for the boroughs, many places being united to form a constituency (pp. 197–9). The same forms were to be observed in the writs for Scotland as had been enjoined for those in England (p. 228).

The pacification of the Church was found a matter more difficult to accomplish. A long report on a proposal thereon by the Scotch ministers is given, pp. 386–7.

Several papers occur of local interest, *e.g.* :—

Proposals for the better preservation of Windsor Forest (pp. 9–12, 169).

Disputes on a project for making the river Way or Wye at Guildford, Surrey, navigable (pp. 49, 51–2, 75).

A petition of those inhabitants of the suburbs of Coventry whose houses had been pulled down for defence of the city during the war, for compensation by a rate on the able inhabitants, whose safety was secured by their losses. Referred to Parliament (p. 79).

A petition from the residents in Christ Church Close, Norwich, for continuance of its exemption from the city jurisdiction. Granted (p. 97).

A petition from the inhabitants of Berwick-on-Tweed, for enforcement of the regulations relative to the fishing in the river (pp. 103–4). Also an Ordinance for vesting lands in the mayor and corporation, for perpetual repair of the bridge. Referred (p. 292).

Disputes as to the right of mastership and management of Katherine's Hospital, Ledbury, co. Hereford, between the temporary master, John Tombes, and the trustees for deans and chapters' lands (pp. 170–3, 194, 244–5).

A petition of the inhabitants of the West Riding of Yorkshire, complaining that those of the two other ridings throw upon them an unfair proportion of the assessments laid on the county (p. 179).

A petition of the inhabitants of Glasgow, for immunity from assessment, on account of their sad condition through a late fire, or for leave to distribute the sums levied among the sufferers. Granted (p. 249).

A petition of the town of Manchester, on behalf of their ministry, to whom 2,000*l.* a year formerly appertained, for an order to compel the inhabitants to pay them 400*l.* a year in lieu of tithes. Granted (pp. 263, 312).

A petition of the mayor, &c. of Pontefract for payment of 120*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.*, balance in hand from the sale of the materials of their castle,—which, being ruined by several sieges, was demolished during the wars,—in order therewith to rebuild their house of sessions, which, being within shot of the castle, was ruined. Granted (pp. 344–5).

A petition of the mayor, &c. of Hull for payment of 60*l.*, part of the impositions on coals, for the winter quarter, which, by Act of Parliament, they are to receive for their poor (p. 420).

A petition of the organist of Christ Church, Oxford, for payment of the modest sum of 10*l.* a year, settled on him by the dean and prebends, for playing the organ (p. 425).

A petition of the inhabitants of Durham for leave to hold an assize and gaol delivery, which they have not had since August 1652. It was laid aside, but renewed three months later, on the ground that there are many felons in the gaol, that the prisoners are a great burden and disturbance, and can hardly be safely kept, and that there are many suits which have been long depending. This time it was granted (pp. 63, 204).

There are several entries relating to old St. Paul's,

London. In April a committee was formed to consider an estimate from the Lord Mayor of the charge of supporting the ruinous parts of it, and of disposing of it for the best safety of the city (p. 88).

In May a report occurs from a committee appointed to consider the lawfulness of building on land sold as belonging to the State, at the west end of St. Paul's. It tended to the non-permission of erections, on the plea that the ground had always been waste, and used as a burying place in times of contagion when other places were oppressed with corpses, and that churchyards are excepted from the right of sale of deans and chapters' lands. Also that it is the usual place of reception for ambassadors who pass from the city to Westminster. Also that any building would straiten the passage towards Ludgate Hill, where now people are often hurt. Then follow numerous depositions of the neighbouring inhabitants, to prove that the ground has been 55 years void (pp. 141–3).

About this time, part of the south side of the church having fallen down, the Lord Mayor and aldermen beg leave to use the lead that covered it to make pipes for conveying water to the city, which is much needed. This was granted (p. 325).

There are also several papers relating to the Tower of London; a full account of the fees paid to the warden and other officers; particulars of repairs, expenses of the prisoners, &c. Also an important list of all who were imprisoned there in June 1654, with the dates of their commitment, beginning with Dr. Wren, late bishop of Ely, who had lingered 10 years in prison, and ending with Somerset Fox, taken for the late conspiracy against the Protector. The total number is 45; it includes nine Scotch peers and one English peer, taken at or after the

battle of Worcester (pp. 273–4, 390–1). Most of these were liberated in September, on security not to act against the State, but they were banished, and were not to return without leave (p. 353).

Several characters of mark appear in the present volume. There is a petition of Thos. Sydenham,—here called Capt. Sydenham, because of his having served as such in the Parliamentary army, in which he was wounded,—praying for arrears due to his brother Major John Sydenham, slain in Scotland, to whom he had lent money to buy horses for going to Scotland, which was never repaid. He mentions also his brother, Major Francis, who was slain in the West, and whose executors only received 80*l.* of his arrears (p. 14). The three brothers here named were brothers of Col. William Sydenham, a prominent member of Cromwell's Council, and one of the Commissioners of the Treasury. They were of the Wynford Eagle or Dorsetshire branch of the family, the elder branches of which had chiefly embraced the royalist cause. The reply to the petition was an order for 600*l.* in full of all demands; and its payment was to be made by the collectors of an imposition on coals in Newcastle, from a balance in their hands (pp. 33, 115, 123). This Capt. Sydenham afterwards became so eminent as a physician, that he has been named the father of English medicine. A tablet to his memory, erected by the College of Physicians, is in St. James's Church, Piccadilly, and from him the Sydenham Society, for the publication of medical works, takes its name.

A letter occurs relating the wonderful cures performed by Mat. Coker, who professed to possess a miraculous gift of healing; it relates his restoration, of the lame, the sick, and the lunatic. A pamphlet recording his cures, published in 1654, is in the British Museum (p. 188).

Sir Wm. Davenant, poet and dramatist, also petitioned

the Protector. He was prisoner in the Tower for his loyalty to the King, and appointed in 1650 to be tried for treason before the High Court of Justice, but no proceedings were taken. He was released on exchange in November 1651, after two years' imprisonment, on bail not to stir from the town; but he was soon made prisoner again for debt, and he begs a second release and a general pardon, that he may live as a faithful subject (pp. 106–7.)

The daughters of Dr. John Cosin, late dean of Peterborough, and after the restoration, bishop of Durham, petition for an allowance from their father's sequestered estate, and also for restoration of his library, detained at Peterhouse, Cambridge. Both requests were granted, and the books, the nucleus of the collection which exists in Bishop Cosin's library at Durham, were restored to them (p. 302).

Several other ladies petitioned. Margaret, daughter of the Earl of Thomond, and second wife of Edward, the Earl of Worcester noted for his scientific inventions, but prisoner in the Tower. She begs some maintenance, if she cannot have her fifths as other wives. Being a second wife, she is not mother to Lord Herbert, and has only received 20*l.* from him. During nine years she has only received 400*l.* from the estate, and her husband, having but 3*l.* a week from the State and 3*l.* from Lord Herbert, has not abundance to pay lodgings and keepers' fees, and provide food for himself and six servants. Considering her birth, she says, she takes no pleasure in trudging up and down on foot, or in a sculler, yet could not do otherwise, nor go attired as a gentlewoman, had she not sold some of her former clothes (p. 123).

Lady Anne Blount, daughter of Montjoy Earl of Newport, complains that, though only 16 years of age, and

living with her father, one Wm. Blount, a Papist, who has been in arms, publishes that she is contracted to him and that he *will* marry her whether she will or no! There being now no bishops' courts, she appealed to the Commissioners of the Great Seal, but they could only issue a commission on the case. She begs its issue to discreet and able men, as these false scandals prejudice her and trouble her parent (p. 105).

The perils attendant upon State messengers during the late troubles are vividly detailed in petitions of Rowland Fawkard, messenger of the late Council of State, and of Anne his widow (pp. 348–349). Request is made on behalf of Chris. Burrell, of Wratting, "a most precious, "ancient servant of God," and the first person in Suffolk who appeared against the superstitious innovations of Bishop Wren and Dr. Cosin, for help, being much in debt through losing all his goods and books by fire, and through being long kept out of his benefice. This was granted to the amount of 50*l.* (p. 253).

The literary entries are scanty and chiefly confined to prosecutions for publications inimical to the present Government (pp. 3, 59, 62, 170, 378). Specimens of verses in favour of the King, more remarkable for their loyalty than their poetry, are to be found (pp. 282–3, 430–1). Also a Latin tractate in favour of Cromwell's government, and another on the best means of composing strife among the Evangelicals (p. 431).

Leave was given for printing an edition of a concordance of the Bible, prepared by Rob. Wickens, minister of Toddenham, co. Warwick, more useful than any extant, on account of its smallness of volume and price (p. 147). John Tracey failed to obtain permission to bring in 9,000 folio Bibles and other books in quires, which had lain on

hands 12 years at Dunkirk, by reason of the late wars (pp. 314–15).

The papers relating to the Navy are somewhat numerous. Those which have a political or historical bearing will be found in the body of the Calendar. The less important papers are tabulated at the end of the volume after the warrants. A table of the attendances of the Council, compiled from the Council books, will be found at the close of these remarks.

Jan. 29th, 1881. M. A. E. G.

TABLE of the ATTENDANCES of the PROTECTOR'S COUNCIL.

Names.	March 1654.																				
	1	3	6	7	8	9	10	13	15	16	17	20	21	22	23	28	29	30	31	31	Totals 20.
LORD PROTECTOR CROMWELL.	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
President Lawrence - -	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	20
Cooper, Sir A. A. - -	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	—	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	12
Desborow, Maj.-Gen. -	p	p	p	—	—	—	—	—	p	—	—	—	—	—	p	—	—	—	—	—	5
Jones, Col. P. - - -	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	17
Lambert, Maj.-Gen. -	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	15
Lisle, Viscount - - -	p	p	—	p	—	p	—	p	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	11
Mackworth, Col. - -	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	18
Major, Rich. - - -	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	13
Montague, Col. - - -	p	—	p	—	—	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	15
Pickering, Sir G. - -	p	—	—	p	—	p	—	p	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	p	—	p	—	7
Rous, Col. Anth. - -	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	—	16
Skippon, Maj.-Gen. - -	—	—	p	—	p	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Strickland, W. - - -	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	19
Sydenham, Col. W. - -	—	—	—	p	p	—	p	—	—	—	—	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
Wolsley, Sir Chas. - -	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	—	p	—	p	p	—	—	—	—	—	11

Table of the Attendances of the Protector's Council—*cont.*

Names.	April 1654.															
	3	4	4	5	6	7	7	10	11	12	13	14	18	21	22	25	Totals 16.
Lord Protector Cromwell.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	*p*	—	*p*	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
President Lawrence - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	16
Cooper, Sir A. A. - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	16
Desborow, Maj.-Gen. -	—	—	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	10
Jones, Col. P- - - -	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	—	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	10
Lambert, Maj.-Gen. - -	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	—	—	11
Lisle, Viscount - - -	—	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	—	—	*p*	*p*	—	10
Mackworth, Col. - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	15
Major, Rich. - - -	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Montague, Col. - - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	*p*	*p*	—	—	6
Pickering, Sir G. - -	—	*p*	*p*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	5
Rous, Col. Anth. - -	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	*p*	1
Skippon, Maj.-Gen. - -	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	—	*p*	11
Strickland, W. - - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	15
Sydenham, Col. W. - -	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	—	3
Wolsley, Sir Chas. - -	—	*p*	*p*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2

Table of the Attendances of the Protector's Council—*cont.*

Names.	May 1654.																		Totals 18.
	2	3	4	4	5	8	9	10	11	12	16	17	18	19	24	26	30	31	
Lord Protector Cromwell	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	p	—	—	—	1
President Lawrence	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	18
Cooper, Sir A. A.	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	17
Desborow, Maj.-Gen.	p	—	—	p	—	p	p	p	—	—	—	p	—	—	—	p	p	p	9
Fiennes, Col.	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	—	p	12
Jones, Col. P.	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	15
Lambert, Maj.-Gen.	p	—	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	—	13
Lisle, Viscount	—	p	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4
Mackworth, Col.	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	16
Major, Rich.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	2
Montague, Col.	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	—	—	12
Pickering, Sir G.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	4
Rous, Col. Anth.	p	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	p	p	—	p	13
Skippon, Maj.-Gen.	p	p	p	—	p	—	p	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	—	12
Strickland, W.	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	17
Sydenham, Col. W.	p	—	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	14
Wolsley, Sir Chas.	—	—	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	13

Table of the Attendances of the Protector's Council—*cont.*

Names.	June 1654.																								Totals 24.
	1	2	2	5	6	7	8	8	9	12	13	13	14	15	15	16	21	22	23	27	28	29	29	30	
Lord Protector Cromwell	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	—	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	p	4
President Lawrence	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	24
Cooper, Sir A. A.	p	—	—	—	—	p	p	—	p	p	p	—	—	p	p	—	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	—	14
Desborow, Maj.-Gen.	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	—	—	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	—	—	—	15
Fiennes, Col.	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	20
Jones, Col. P.	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	18
Lambert, Maj.-Gen.	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	21
Lisle, Viscount	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	p	3
Mackworth, Col.	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	23
Major, Rich.	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	20
Montague, Col.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pickering, Sir G.	—	—	p	p	—	—	p	p	—	p	—	—	—	p	—	—	p	—	—	p	p	—	p	p	11
Rous, Col. Anth.	p	p	—	—	p	—	p	—	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	—	p	17
Skippon, Maj.-Gen.	p	—	—	—	p	—	p	—	p	p	p	—	p	—	p	—	p	—	—	p	—	p	—	p	12
Strickland, W.	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	—	p	—	—	p	—	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	18
Sydenham, Col.	p	p	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	20
Wolsley, Sir Chas.	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	22

Table of the Attendances of the Protector's Council—*cont.*

Names.	July 1654.																						Totals 23.
	3	3	4	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	17	18	19	20	21	24	25	26	27	27	28	31	
Lord Protector Cromwell	—	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	p	—	—	p	p	p	—	p	—	p	—	—	—	—	12
President Lawrence	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	23
Cooper, Sir A. A.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	p	—	p	p	3
Desborow, Maj.-Gen.	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	—	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	—	—	14
Fiennes, Col.	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	23
Jones, Col. P.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	6
Lambert, Maj.-Gen.	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	—	p	p	—	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	19
Lisle, Viscount	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	—	p	—	—	p	—	p	—	—	—	12
Mackworth, Col.	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	22
Major, Rich.	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	—	—	p	—	—	—	—	p	14
Montague, Col.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	p	—	—	—	p	—	p	p	—	p	7
Pickering, Sir G.	—	—	p	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	8
Rous, Col. Anth.	p	—	p	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	—	p	p	p	—	—	—	—	—	11
Skippon, Maj.-Gen.	p	—	—	p	—	—	—	—	—	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	—	—	—	—	5
Strickland, W.	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	21
Sydenham, Col.	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	19
Wolsley, Sir Chas.	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	19

Table of Attendances of the Protector's Council—*cont.*

Names.	August 1654.																													
	1	2	2	3	4	8	8	10	10	11	14	15	15	16	17	17	18	19	21	22	23	24	25	28	28	29	29	30	30	Totals 29.
Lord Protector Cromwell.	—	p	p	—	—	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5
President Lawrence -	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	29
Cooper, Sir A. A. -	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	—	p	p	26
Desborow, Maj.-Gen.	p	—	p	—	p	p	—	p	—	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
Fiennes, Col. - -	p	p	—	p	p	p	—	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	8
Jones, Col. P. - -	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	28
Lambert, Maj.-Gen.-	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	p	—	p	25
Lisle, Viscount -	p	—	p	p	p	p	—	p	—	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	—	—	—	—	p	—	18
Mackworth, Col. -	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	28
Major, Rich. - -	—	—	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	—	p	p	p	—	—	p	p	p	—	p	—	21
Montague, Col. -	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	—	—	p	—	p	p	p	—	p	—	p	—	p	p	—	—	p	p	19
Pickering, Sir G. -	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	—	p	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16
Rous, Col. Anth. -	—	—	—	—	—	p	—	p	—	p	p	p	—	p	p	—	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	—	17
Skippon, Maj.-Gen. -	p	—	—	—	—	p	—	p	p	—	—	p	—	p	p	—	p	—	—	—	—	p	p	—	—	p	—	p	—	12
Strickland, W. -	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	26
Sydenham, Col. -	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	—	p	—	p	p	—	—	—	—	p	—	—	—	—	p	p	p	17
Wolsley, Sir Chas. -	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	—	—	p	p	p	p	18

Table of Attendances of the Protector's Council—*cont.*

Names.	September 1654.									
	1	1	2	2	9	18	20	21	28	Totals 9.
Lord Protector Cromwell.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
President Lawrence - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	9
Cooper, Sir A. A. - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	7
Desborow, Maj.-Gen. -	—	—	—	—	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	3
Fiennes, Col. - - -	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	—	—	*p*	5
Jones, Col. P. - - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	8
Lambert, Maj.-Gen. - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	8
Lisle, Viscount - -	—	—	*p*	—	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	4
Mackworth, Col. - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	8
Major, Rich. - - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	6
Montague, Col. - -	—	*p*	*p*	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	6
Pickering, Sir G. - -	—	—	—	—	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	3
Rous, Col. Anth. - -	*p*	—	*p*	—	—	—	—	*p*	—	3
Skippon, Maj.-Gen. - -	*p*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	*p*	2
Strickland, W. - - -	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	—	—	*p*	*p*	5
Sydenham, Col. - -	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	—	*p*	—	*p*	5
Wolsley, Sir Chas. - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	7

—	October 1654.									
	5	6	10	12	17	19	24	26	30	Totals 9.
Lord Protector Cromwell.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
President Lawrence - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	9
Cooper, Sir A. A. - -	—	*p*	—	—	*p*	—	—	*p*	—	3
Desborow, Maj.-Gen. -	—	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	6
Fiennes, Col. - - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	8
Jones, Col. P. - - -	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	8
Lambert, Maj.-Gen. - -	—	*p*	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	6
Lisle, Viscount - -	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	—	6
Mackworth, Col. - -	—	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	—	5
Major, Rich. - - -	—	—	—	—	*p*	—	—	—	—	1
Montague, Col. - -	*p*	*p*	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Mulgrave, Earl of - -	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	—	—	—	3
Pickering, Sir G. - -	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	—	—	—	—	—	3
Rous, Col. A. - - -	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Skippon, Maj.-Gen. - -	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Strickland, W. - - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	8
Sydenham, Col. - -	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	7
Wolsley, Sir Chas. - -	*p*	*p*	—	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	5

Table of Attendances of the Protector's Council—*cont.*

Names.	November 1654.										
	2	6	8	9	15	16	21	24	28	30	Totals 10.
Lord Protector Cromwell.	—	—	*p*	—	—	—	*p*	—	—	—	2
President Lawrence -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	10
Cooper, Sir A. A. -	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	7
Desborow, Maj.-Gen. -	—	*p*	—	*p*	—	*p*	—	—	—	—	3
Fiennes, Col. - -	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	—	*p*	*p*	7
Jones, Col. P. - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	8
Lambert, Maj.-Gen. -	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	—	—	*p*	6
Lisle, Viscount - -	—	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	—	—	—	*p*	4
Mackworth, Col. -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	8
Major, Rich. - -	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
Montague, Col. - -	—	—	—	—	—	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	—	3
Mulgrave, Earl of -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	8
Pickering, Sir G. -	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
Rous, Col. Anth. -	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
Skippon, Maj.-Gen. -	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
Strickland, W. - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	10
Sydenham, Col. - -	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	7
Wolsley, Sir Chas. -	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	—	*p*	*p*	7

—	December 1654.						
	2	5	12	16	19	28	Totals 6.
Lord Protector Cromwell.	—	—	—	*p*	—	—	1
President Lawrence -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	6
Cooper, Sir A. A. -	—	*p*	—	—	*p*	*p*	3
Desborow, Maj.-Gen. -	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
Fiennes, Col. - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	6
Jones, Col. P. - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	6
Lambert, Maj.-Gen. -	—	—	—	—	*p*	*p*	2
Lisle, Viscount - -	—	*p*	—	—	—	—	1
Mackworth, Col. -	*p*	*p*	—	—	—	—	2
Major, Rich. - -	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
Montague, Col. - -	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	5
Mulgrave, Earl of -	—	*p*	—	—	—	*p*	2
Pickering, Sir G. -	—	—	*p*	*p*	—	*p*	3
Rous, Col. Anth. -	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
Skippon, Maj.-Gen. -	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
Strickland, W. - -	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	*p*	6
Sydenham, Col. -	*p*	—	*p*	*p*	*p*	—	4
Wolsley, Sir Chas. -	*p*	—	—	—	—	*p*	2

Total Daily Attendances, 1654.—Protector's Council.

Months	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	Sept.	October.	Nov.	December.	Total.
No. of sittings held	20	16	18	24	23	29	9	9	10	6	164
Lord Protector Cromwell.	1	2	1	4	12	5	0	0	2	1	28
President Lawrence	20	16	18	24	23	29	9	9	10	6	164
Cooper, Sir A. A.	12	16	17	14	3	26	7	3	7	3	108
Desborow, Maj.-Gen.	5	10	9	15	14	6	3	6	3	0	71
Jones, Col. P.	17	10	15	18	6	28	8	8	8	6	124
Fiennes, Lord Commissioner	—	—	12	20	23	8	5	8	7	6	89
Lambert, Maj.-Gen.	15	11	13	21	19	25	8	6	6	2	126
Lisle, Viscount	11	10	4	3	12	18	4	6	4	1	73
Mackworth, Col.	18	15	16	23	22	28	8	5	8	2	145
Major, Rich.	13	0	2	20	14	21	3	1	0	0	74
Montague, Col.	15	6	12	0	7	19	6	2	3	5	75
Mulgrave, Earl of	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	8	2	13
Pickering, Sir G.	7	5	4	11	8	16	3	3	0	3	60
Rous, Col. Anth.	16	1	13	17	11	17	3	0	0	0	78
Skippon, Maj.-Gen.	3	11	12	12	5	12	2	0	0	0	57
Strickland, W.	19	15	17	18	21	26	5	8	10	6	145
Sydenham, Col. W.	4	3	14	20	19	17	5	7	7	4	100
Wolsley, Sir Chas.	11	2	13	22	19	10	7	5	7	2	106

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March 1. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mackworth, Rous, Pickering, and Sydenham, to be a Committee to meet this afternoon with Mr. Nye, Goodwin, and other ministers, and receive what they have to offer, and confer with them in reference to the approbation of persons to preach in a settled way in any public place.

2. Wolsley, Montague, and Strickland to be a Committee to speak with Serjeant Glanvile about his being re-admitted to his practice at the bar.

3. The Lord Mayor, Recorder, Mr. Sadler, town clerk of London, and the Steward, bailiff, and burgesses of Westminster attended, when several matters were propounded to them in relation to the good government of the cities.

4. The Committee for the Adventurers for Ireland to attend Council at 8 to-morrow, when the Protector will be there if possible. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 145–6.]

March 1. Whitehall. **1.** W. J[ones ?] to the Greenland Company and the rest of the interests concerned in that trade. The Committee to whom Council has referred the business desire me to send you the enclosed rules, and to desire that each interest should choose persons to meet, and (adhering to the substance) digest them into the best form. They will also receive from you anything that your long experience enables you to tender thereon, or hear your objections to anything judged prejudicial, but expedition is needful. [1 *page.*] *Enclosing,*

1. I. *Proposed regulations for the Greenland Company:*

1. *That a company of* 15 *be chosen equally out of the Company, and the other interests, to dispose of the vessels to be provided.*

2. *That all intending adventurers give in their names, ships, officers, &c. before* 1 *November.*

3. *That the Commissioners assign them their several proportions of tonnage.*

4. *That the proposers give security to set out the number of ships, &c. which they offer.*

5. *That none be admitted unless they offer before* 1 *Nov.*

6. *That on* 15 *April next, the Commissioners give written directions to the master of each ship what harbour to go to.*

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7. *That due encouragement be given to those sent to fish in places difficult, hazardous, or uncertain of fishing.*

8. *That all proceeds be distributed to the adventurers in proportion to their tonnage, men, hazard, and danger, as appointed by the Commissioners.*

9. *That the Commissioners take care that the ships are sufficient for defence.*

10. *That the old Commissioners receive the subscriptions, and the new Commissioners be chosen on* 15 *Nov.*

11. *That observing these rules, all persons be free to set forth any ships they please for the said trade.* [*Draft,* 2½ *pages.*]

1. II. *Draft of the above regulations and letter, much corrected.* [2¾ *pages.*]

1. III. *Copy of* 5 *of the above regulations.* [1 *page.*]

March 1. **2.** Bond of Charles and Allan Percy, of Beverley co. York, and Wm. Parkett, of St. Clement Dane's, Westminster, in 600*l.*, that Chas. Percy appear within 3 days after summons, do not leave the nation without leave, and act nothing to the prejudice of the peace. [1 *page.*]

March 1. **3.** Like bond of John Blunt, of London, Thos. Fletcher, of Covent Garden, and John Phillips, of Warbath, co. Pembroke, in 600*l.* for the appearance and good conduct of Blunt. [1 *page.*]

March $\frac{1}{11}$. Breda. **4.** Sir Richard Grenville to [Ralph Parker ?] You name, in yours of the 7th, my lord's approval that Sir John Mints should adjust the business between him and me, and that you will send papers to the Hague thereon, and advise me to do the like.

This cannot be at the Hague, where neither I nor my procureur, John Mickelfelt,—who has my proofs, instructions, and procuration, to see my right made good—can be, but I will submit to Sir John's judgment if he will come to Middleburg, where my procureur shall attend him, for I will not be ousted of my right by subtleties. If he will not come there, and if neither Sir Pat. Drummond, Mr. Regamorter, nor any others in Zealand, are accepted for referees, the process at law there must determine it. I will lose no time about my process. I shall be at Bruges next week. [1 *page.*]

March 2. **5.** Petition of Wm. Watts, woodward for Surrey to the Protector, for relief. I have disbursed 200*l.* in prosecuting warrants. I gave 200*l.* for my place; the fees were 3*s.* 4*d.* a day, 5*l.* a year salary, and 2*l.* for Windsor forest, and 1*s.* a pound on wood sales. I am owed:—

	£	s.	d.
The 3*s.* 4*d.* a day for 8 years - -	416	0	0
Disbursements by woodward's book -	322	14	0
Two years' salary of 5*l.* - -	10	0	0
Four „ „ 2*l.* - -	8	0	0

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The woods are disposed of to Col. Pride and others, so my office comes to nothing, and my wife and 7 children are starved for want of these disbursements and arrears. With reference thereon to Council 20 Feb. 1653–4. [1½ *pages.*] *Annexing,*

5. I. *Certificate by Rich. Fearmes and* 11 *others to the poverty and fidelity of Watts, who has* 7 *small children that must have perished without help from godly men.* 28 *March* 1654. [1 *page.*]

5. II. *Receipt by John Witherings from Watts of* 21*l. in part of* 200*l.; all paid except* 8*l.* 22 *Feb.* 1653–4. [½ *page.*]

March 2. Order thereon that 20*l.* be paid him by the Receiver-General of the Revenue, and that Rous, Mackworth, and Major report on the petition. Approved 23 March. [*I.* 75, *p.* 146.]

March 2. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

2. The petition of Wm. Pym and others (committed last Friday to Mackworth and Rous), referred to the Committee for regulating Customs and Excise, to consider and certify.

3. Dr. Owen, Vice-Chancellor of Oxford, to take care that the book entitled "A Twofold Catechism," made by — Bidle, be answered.

4. The debate touching the said book to be resumed this day fortnight.

5. Pickering and Strickland to meet the Ambassadors from the States General to-morrow afternoon, and accompany them to Westminster.

6. The following members of Council to sup and dine with the Dutch Ambassadors at the times following:—

Friday, dinner	-	Pickering and Strickland.
„ supper	-	Lambert and Sydenham.
Saturday, dinner	-	Skippon and Mackworth.
„ supper	-	Lord President and Viscount Lisle.
Sunday, dinner	-	Strickland and Jones.
„ supper	-	Wolsley, Cooper, and Desborow.
Monday, dinner	-	Pickering and Montague.

7. The words, "which were lately in the Mint" to be added in the warrant to the Lieutenant of the Tower for payment of 1,500*l.* to Gualter Frost. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 147–8.]

March 2. Whitehall. Council to Major Wm. Burton, Maj. Clement Keene, and Thos. Bendish, Justices of Peace for Suffolk. We have received your letter and the examinations enclosed, concerning the interruption given to some persons in their religious exercises at Lowestoft, and recommend to your effectual care that Mr. Alberry and the rest of the honest people of Lowestoft have liberty to use the chapel there for performance of their religious exercises, and that they be protected therein from molestation.

You are further desired to take notice of any disturbance that has been or shall be given them, in such their exercises, and to cause those misdemeaning themselves to be proceeded against according to law. [*I.* 75, *p.* 147.]

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March 2. **6.** Representation of Rob. Tichborne, Mark Hildesley, Dan. Taylor, Wm. Wyberd, Thos. Arnold, and Owen Rowe, some of the trustees for sale of Deans' and Chapters' lands, to the Protector. Would gladly obey the Order of 6 Feb. last to settle lands value 200*l.* a year on Nich. Lockyer, but the lands which they are required to convey being unsold 16 Dec. last, when the government of the Commonwealth now established was declared at Westminster, these lands were, as they conceive, vested in his Highness by the 31st article, and not to be alienated from the Lord Protector without consent of Parliament. [¾ *page.*] *Annexing,*

6. I. *Order by the Protector confirming the order of the Council of State of* 30 *June* 1653, *for settlement of the said lands on Lockyer, the Commissioners for removing obstructions to exercise all their powers in reference thereto.* 6 *Feb.* 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*]

March 2. **7.** Petition of Vincent Randall, of Chilworth, Surrey, to the Admiralty Committee. My late father, Sir Edw. Randall, let a lease to the East India Company of several powder mills near his dwelling at Chilworth, for 21 years. After this Caudwell, surveyor of the mills, rented them for a year, but died and left them in possession of his wife; she being unable to manage so great a work, sold her stock to merchants who begged leave to be my yearly tenants, which I granted, and their time is now expired. I beg leave to serve the State with the same quantity of powder as the mills served before, on security to make it as good and cheap. [1 *page.*]

March 2. **8.** Certificate by Rich. Wood, Mayor, and Rich. Elton, Deputy Governor of Kingston-upon-Hull, that several Hamburg merchants and owners of ships named have deposed upon oath before them that the Assurance and Mermaid, which were appointed as convoy to their ships, did not wait at Hull 6 weeks for them, as stated, but that their ships have been waiting 5 months for a convoy, whereby they have been damnified to the extent of 1,500*l.*, besides the general loss, which is twice as much, by the loss of time and the markets. Also that they have paid 1,500*l.* for customs on the cloth, lead, and other commodities shipped, and that they were convoyed as far as the Humber, where the Assurance and Mermaid were called off. [1 *sheet, with town seal.*]

March 3. **9.** Petition of Cap. Jos. Smith to the Protector. I have served since the beginning of the war, was seriously wounded at the siege of Reading, was ill 11 months at my father's house in Wiltshire, and have often been wounded since, and had to go 6 times to the Bath. I spent 250*l.* in getting cured, and 360*l.* in raising horses and arms.

Also there is 546*l.* due to me for arrears, but this is only ⅓ of my due, because being supposed to be dead of my wounds, I was not mustered in 1647 and 1649. Yet I sent to the battle of Worcester a

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man and horse who never returned, and I served at my own charge in Serj. Dendy's troop, to guard the Council of State. I have often petitioned Parliament for such employment as I was fit for, being disabled in my limbs, especially for that of paymaster and steward to Ely House; the members promised much, but put in their relations and friends, and I got many orders but no profit.

I lost a fair estate promised by a kinsman who was of the junto at Oxford, and my mother, who mortgaged her jointure for 300*l.* to support me in the service, had her cows fetched away for it by the Donnington Castle garrison, and she was cut over the head in trying to keep them. I beg payment and employment, or a pension from Ely House, to which I have been very useful in bringing in ½ the fines out of the Excise, appointed by Parliament for relief of maimed soldiers. With reference thereon to Council to proceed speedily, on account of the petitioner's necessity, 7 Feb. 1653–4. Also note that the petition will be seconded by Sir A. A. Cooper, Sir G. Pickering, or Mr. Rous. [1 *large closely written sheet.*]

March 3. Reference thereon by Council to Jones, Mackworth, and Rous, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 148.]

March 3. **10.** Petition of Wm. Wright, graver in stone, to the Protector. Col. Rich agreed to pay him 120*l.* for a tomb for Lord Deputy Ireton, to be set up in Henry VII.'s chapel, in 3 payments, of which he has received the first, and 17*l.* 10*s.* of the second. Has long since finished the said tomb, "he hopeth to the good contentment of your Highness and the most skilful beholders, and to the well-deserving fame of the said late lord deputy." Begs payment of 52*l.* 10*s.*, that he may be able to erect the tomb. With reference thereon 6 Feb. to Col. Nath. Rich; his certificate that the reason of non-payment is that the money allowed was not competent to the expense of the funeral; and another reference to Council 20 Feb. 1653–4. [1½ *sheet.*]

March 3. Reference thereon by Council to Wolsley, Jones, and Mackworth. [*I.* 75, *p.* 148.]

March 3. **11.** Petition of Phil. Holman to the Protector. Roach Forest, co, Somerset, belonged to the lords of the adjoining manors, the late King having only herbage for his deer; 22 years ago he disafforested it, and had ⅓ allotted for the herbage, ⅓ to the lords of manors, and ⅓ to the tenants. Sir Rob. Heath, Chief Justice of Common Pleas, owned Broadway Manor near, and by an Exchequer decree, his ⅓ and the King's ⅓, which he purchased, were to be enclosed 13 years ago. He sold the said ⅔ to me for 5,000*l.*, and I enjoyed it till 1643, when in the wars, the enclosures were violently laid open at night, and so continued till 1646. Then I enclosed part, but the enclosures were violently broken down. I beg protection to re-inclose the ⅔, and a warrant for assistance in case of opposition. With reference thereon to Council, 20 Feb. 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*]

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March 3. Note that the preceding petition was read in Council. [*I.* 75, p. 149.]

March 3. **12.** Petition of Edm. Manning, merchant of London, to the Protector. I suffered much in opposing the tyranny of the late King and bishops. I can now, if you concur, do what will advantage multitudes of the poor, and somewhat refresh me in my low condition occasioned by my sufferings, and by the loss of 44 hogsheads of oil, value 200*l.*, seized by the Greenland Company in 1646, after I had paid customs, as I could not wrestle with so opulent a company.

The company have not brought in ½ as many whale fins as are yearly expended, therefore I beg liberty to import 50 tons, the late Act against bringing in foreign commodities notwithstanding.

With note by President Lawrence to the Protector in favour of the petitioner, about whom he spoke to his Highness on Saturday. 6 Feb. 1653–4, and reference thereon to Council, 9 Feb. 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*]

March 3. Reference thereon by Council to the Committee on the Greenland Company's petition, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 149.]

March 3. **13.** Petition of Ant. Bassano and 29 others, for themselves and many hundreds in their condition, to the Protector. We paid in divers sums to the Treasurer of the late Committee of Haberdashers' Hall for the 20th and 5th of our estates, and were to have the public faith therefor; but the days of payment were only 10 days after notice, some of us had not due notice, others were out of town, others hindered by sickness or poverty from paying, and the penalties for non-payment being heavy, many of us had to pay beyond our due proportions. By ordinance of Parliament of 12 Aug. 1643, the Committee for Advance of Money was authorised to grant the public faith in such cases, but now their power therein is ended. We beg its renewal, without which we cannot enter our claims by 25 March next, the time limited, and shall be excluded from claim to our public faith debts. 30 signatures, 2 being marks. With reference thereon to Council. Noted as laid aside, 31 March 1654. [1¼ *pp.*]

March 3. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Note of the Protector's approval of 3 Ordinances and orders.

3. The petition of Edw. Cresset, Master of Sutton's Hospital, and the paper annexed, referred to Mackworth, Montague, Jones, and Rous, to report.

4. That of Edward Viscount Loftus of Ely referred to Lambert, Lisle, Montague, Jones, Cooper, and Wolsley, to consider his disbursements in fortifying Middleham Castle and his entertainment, and to report.

5. In the order of 24 Feb. last, referring the proceedings at the new Exchange to the Attorney General, Sir Thos. Widrington, and the Recorder, the words "or any two of them" to be inserted.

9. **14.** Order on petition of Katherine, relict of Timothy Aspinwall, late minister of Coventry, that the 271*l.* 12*s.* mentioned as due to her late husband on account and debenture stated by the late Com-

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mittee of Coventry, for his charges and arrears as chaplain to Col. Burke's regiment, be paid her out of such arrears due to the Commonwealth as were raised in Hertfordshire before 1 Feb. 1649–50, and which remain in the hands of Mr. Hickman, Treasurer of Hertfordshire, for whose payment this order shall be sufficient warrant. Approved 23 March.

10. Order on the petition of Gilb. Keate and other owners of the Anthony Bonaventure, and on a certificate of the Navy Commissioners on a reference from the Admiralty Commissioners, that—as the ship appears to have been honourably lost in fight with the Dutch, and that as, on serious debate with some of the Committee of Trinity House (the price and value thereof, including the freight for the time she was in service considered), the owners deserve for their loss 3,600*l.*,—the Admiralty Commissioners satisfy themselves touching the premises, and thereupon issue their commands to the Navy Commissioners to make out a bill to the Navy Treasurer for payment of the 3,600*l.*, or do for the petitioners' satisfaction as they see cause. Approved 23 March.

12. The petition of the Masters, Wardens, and Assistants of the Company of Feltmakers referred to the Committee for the Treasuries, to report.

13. Order on petition of Dan. French, minister of Stroud, that Thos. Falconbridge pay him all the arrears of the augmentation granted him by ordinance of Parliament, any former restraint notwithstanding. Approved 23 March.

14. **15.** Order on a report from the Navy Commissioners, on reference of 30 January last,—that Jas. Jackson deserves 50*l.* for services at sea in the Green Olive of Ipswich,—that the Admiralty Commissioners authorise a warrant to the Navy treasurer for payment. Approved 23 March. *Annexing,*

15. I. *Report alluded to, that he deserves* 50*l.*, *his ship being taken up at Norway, and employed in taking packets to the Generals, the Orkney Isles, &c.—Navy Office,* 10 *Feb.* 1653–4. [1 *page.*]

15. **16.** Order that the report of the Admiralty Commissioners, on the Protector's reference on the petition of the workmen armourers of the Tower armoury, be agreed to, and that there be paid to the armourers as wages to the 1st March, 236*l.* 15*s.* 9*d.*, *viz.*:—

	£	s.	d.
To Rich. Alliston - - -	50	8	9
„ Sam. Ashton - - - -	50	8	9
„ Solomon Sibtharp - - -	50	8	9
„ Rich. Rous - - - -	47	8	9
„ John Atmere - - -	38	0	9

The Admiralty Commissioners to issue warrants to the Navy Treasurer accordingly. Approved 23 March.

17. The petition of Nathaniel Poole and Joane, his wife, referred to Mackworth, Jones, Sydenham, Rous, and Major, to report.

18, 19. Those of Thos. Dunsterville, and of Michael Barkstead referred to the Committee for the Mint, to report.

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21. Order that—as several inconveniences have been occasioned by addresses made to the late Council of State, for the release of ships taken by the State's vessels while they have been still depending in the Admiralty Court,—the issue of any order for stay of such proceedings in the Admiralty Court be forborne, notwithstanding any address hereafter to be made the Protector or Council, touching ships brought to adjudication in that Court, it being the Protector's intention that the said Court give sentence in the case of all prize ships, without interruption. Approved 23 March.

22. **17.** Order, on report on the 1,250*l.* lent by Thos. Ledgard, alderman of Newcastle, to Col. Fras. Hacker, by order of Sir Art. Hesilrigge, on a public emergency, that the Committee of Accounts allow the same on Mr. Ledgard's accounts, and that Col. Hacker be directed by his Highness to give an account for it. Approved 23 March. *Annexing,*

17. I. *Receipt by Hacker of the said sum, July* 1649. [$\frac{1}{3}$ *page.*]

17. II. *Report alluded to, stating that the Committee refused to discharge Ledgard of the money, because it was entered as a loan in his accounts, and sent for Hacker, but his Highness had ordered him to a service, promising, as he had often done before, to take him off the* 1,250*l.* 28 *Feb.* 1653–4. [1 *page.*]

17. III. *Warrant to the Committee of Accounts at Duchy House to allow the* 1,250*l. on Ledgard's accounts.* [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

23. The petition of Sarah Potter, widow, whereon the Protector recommended the granting her a yearly pension, referred to Sydenham, Mackworth, Wolsley, and Rous, to consider out of what treasury the pension may be answered, and to report.

24. The Trustees for maintenance of Ministers to forbear to grant any augmentation to Wm. Langley, minister of Lichfield, Capt. Falconbridge to take notice hereof, and suspend augmentation till further order. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 149–152.]

March 3. **18.** Navy Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. We have examined Capt. Rich. Badiley's accounts for disbursements while in the Straits; as also those of Chas. Longland intermixed therewith, and have passed them, save a sum of 3,000 dollars charged for provision for freighting for the ships taken up there. We think this should be included in the 5*s.* 3*d.* a dollar provision money, but we desire further orders. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

March 3. **19.** Mich. Lea to Robt. Blackborne. I beg you to present a copy of a survey made of Whitemeade Park, as also of the Earl of Pembroke's lease thereof, to the Navy Commissioners. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

March $\frac{3}{13}$. **20.** Luke Whittington to Ralph Parker, Flushing. Col. Anselm writes me a saucy letter about the commission he promised to procure me. He says his Highness Leopold will not have less than 200 guilders. I will not buy his commission so dearly. I am glad you and my lord are reconciled. Private affairs. Write me word whether you come to follow Sir Rich. Grenville's suit here. Lieut.-Col. Galbreth, and

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my father-in-law, Mr. Regamorter, have been here, and tell me of a letter in your hands from Holland for me. [1 *page.*]

March 4. **21.** Commissioners for Sick and Wounded to the Admiralty Committee. We think the bill of Herbert Cadman, boatswain, for cure for himself and servant when wounded very unreasonable; 13*l.* 13*s.*, is a fit allowance, and as he had 15*l.*, he should return 1*l.* 7*s.* Also we disapprove Capt. Haddock's charge of 5*l.* 8*s.* for one of his company during five weeks' sickness. These irregular charges much obstruct our endeavours to reduce the people of the several ports to conform to your allowance of 7*s.* a week. [1 *page.*]

March 4. The Triumph, Off the Shoe. **22.** Capt. Lionel Lane to the Navy Commissioners. I had an order for procuring 50 watermen, with assistance of the masters, &c. of Waterman's Hall. They say they have sent me 51, but only eight appeared. I have examined all the ships in the river, but cannot hear of any more. I give you notice lest there should be some miscarriage, but as I have no need, I shall not trouble further about them, but make all speed to the fleet. [¾ *page.*]

March 4, Prize Office. **23.** Prize Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. In answer to your request to know in what ports certain ships named lie, and where the examinations are, we certify that there has been no neglect about the examination of prisoners taken in them; as none of their companies were delivered with the ships to the Sub-Commissioners of Prizes at the several ports, no examinations could be taken for their condemnation, Those prisoners who were sent in the prizes to London were taken to Chelsea and the Mews at Westminster. We sent our officers several times to have them examined in the Admiralty Court, but there were none from the ships named. We send a list of 10 ships which were condemned by the evidence of their crews. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

23. I. *List alluded to.* [⅔ *page.*]

March 4. Swiftsure, Ellen's Road. **24.** Gens. Blake and Penn to the Generals of the Fleet at Whitehall. The Dutch intend to be soon at sea with a large body. We have done our best to get this part of the fleet ready for service. Our greatest want is men, to supply which, we beg you to order the Martin and three others in the Narrows to repair hither; from them we shall get a number of able seamen, with which they can be resupplied. The wind being easterly, we have fallen down here with the main body, to be ready for service. [1 *page.*]

March 4. Swiftsure, Ellen's Road. **25.** Gens. Blake and Penn to the Admiralty Committee. To like effect. We wonder the ships in the river do not hasten; those appointed to ply between this and the Land's End are now in the fleet. We want the Martin and other small vessels, which will be useful to us, and will send the Pelican to the Pearl in the Narrow. [1 *page.*]

Papers relating to Windsor Forest, viz.:—

March 6. **26.** Proposals of Col. Chris. Whichcote and Thos. Reading for its better preservation.

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1. That no warrants for felling timber be allowed unless registered, as much injury has been done by false warrants.

2. That no fees be allowed to any, as they carve out to themselves what they please.

3. That a salary be allowed to one man in every division, the nine great woods being far apart, with a supervisor; as for want of such government, there is a loss to the forests of 15*l.* a day.

4. That the 7 lodges are a great burden, and claim as much wood for their firing as when forests were furnished with deer.

5. That an inhibition being published of the cutting down of wood, exemplary punishment should be had on offenders.

The neighbouring parishes claim timber for the repair of their bridges. The charge of cutting down and carrying dotard timber for use in Whitehall will be 7*s.* a load.

As Mr. Plumpton cannot act with them, they request that Wm. Hyde, "an active, knowing gentleman, who lives near the forests," may take his place.—Windsor, 1 March 1653–4. With marginal and other notes by Reading, 14 March, that cottagers who have a little ground fell the oaks growing thereon. That three trees being felled are discovered, and the fellers bound over not to offend again. That bushes should be preserved. That the Commissioners expect recompense for their pains, and fuel for their families. [2½ *pages.*] *Annexing,*

26. I. *Notes [by Thos. Reading] of resolutions touching the woods in the New Forest, Windsor, that none fell trees without warrants from the Commissioners.*

That they give no warrants in lieu of fees, until the claim has been allowed by his Highness or Council.

That they appoint 6 *persons and a supervisor to look after the woods, receiving amongst them* 46*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

That 600 *loads be prepared, the expense being paid out of Council's contingencies.*

That the 3 *trees seized be sold on account, &c.* 16 *March* 1653–4. [¾ *page.*]

March 6. Note of the reading thereof in Council, and order that instead of Mr. Plumpstead (*sic*) (named in an order of 17 Feb. last), Wm. Hyde be joined with the Governor of Windsor Castle and Mr. Reading, for executing an order of 31 Jan. last, touching woods and trees in Windsor Forest. Approved 23 March. [*I.* 75, *p.* 154.]

[March 6.] **27.** Certificate of Francis Younge, on an order of the Protector and Council of 31 Jan. 1653–4 to Colonel Whichcote, Governor of Windsor Castle, and himself, the governor being indisposed by sickness for business.

On view of the woods, I find many decaying dotard trees, fit only for fuel, and no underwood except bushment.

As to their better preservation, since the forest laws are suspended, and many inhabitants and borderers have of late been bold

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in spoiling and stealing the woods, some of the trespassers, for example's sake, should be summoned before Council, because the justices of peace (to whom complaints have often been made), can only proceed against them as in the case of trespass, by binding them over, which course has proved tedious and ineffectual. If this be not approved, his Highness might command an inhibition of the like offences, and declare that a strict course shall be taken against offenders; this to be published in the parish churches and markets thereabouts; also straightly charging the woodwards to return the names of trespassers.

Although the notice already given has put a stop to the boldness of the people, yet it will not thoroughly effect what is intended.

As to the supply of Whitehall with firing out of the forest, the decaying dotard trees nearest the Thames should be first felled this and next month, lest, if the summer prove dry, the river be not passable with barges to convey them to London. 16 Feb. 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*]

[March 6.] **28.** Certificate by Fras. Younge of the condition of the walks and timber trees in Windsor Forest, the keepers, under-keepers, and officers there, with their fees and allowances.

Cramborne Lodge and Walk in the possession of Capt. Jas. Whitelock, by commission from his father Lord Commissioner Whitelock, constable and warden of Windsor Castle and Forest, and now under my care. The lodge and outhouse are much out of repair. Fee, 50*l.* a year.

Mem.—The walk was formerly divided into three under-keeperships for preserving the deer, the appointments being made by the keeper of Cramborne.

New Lodge Walk, in the possession of Col. Whichcote, late Governor of Windsor Castle, put in by Philip, Earl of Pembroke, and held by a tenant of the colonel. To this walk belong two closes and an orchard, the lodge and outhouses much decayed. Fee, 50*l.* a year.

Swinley Rails Walk, in possession of Henry Nevill, Esq., by commission from the Committee of the Revenue in October last, heath and very barren ground; the house, barns, and rails very much decayed. Fee, 50*l.* a year.

Bigshott Rails, with lodge for under-keeper, heath ground in possession of Capt. Bayley, by commission from Philip, Earl of Pembroke; belonging to this there were 3 red deer walks. Fee yearly, 50*l.*

Beare Wood, lodge for an under-keeper, with 3 closes, in possession of Mr. Danvers, by commission from Philip, Earl of Pembroke, now in my possession by commission from Lord Whitelock, dated 12 Nov. 1653, and Humphrey Broughton is my deputy. The house and barns are ready to fall for want of repairs. Fee, 12*l.*

Egham or Red Deer Walk, lodge for an under-keeper, who is John Saunders, a poor man; no house for the chief keeper, the last being Sir Art. Mainwaring, who lived at Sayes. Fee, 20*l.*

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Milton's Lodge, belonging to Cramborne, a poor house held by John Bennet under Commissioner Whitelock, with 3 small parcels of land.

Names and fees of the forest officers, and numbers of the timber trees, pollard timber trees, and decayed pollard timber trees in the respective walks.

Note that this certificate was presented to the Revenue Commissioners, 27 Jan. 1652–3, but that since then Mr. Cooper, agent for the Navy officers, has had 500 timber trees, and 400 loads of timber, of which he can give further account. 16 Feb. 1653–4. [6⅓ *pages.*]

March 6. **29.** Reference to Lambert, Wolsley, Rous, Jones, and Major, of the papers presented to Council from Col. Whichcote, Mr. Reading, and Fras. Younge, about Windsor Forest, to report. [¾ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 154.]

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2. The Committee on goods remaining unsold at Somerset House to hasten their report.

3. The Commissioners for Inspections to charge 1,000*l.* upon such Treasury as is convenient, to be paid to Gualter Frost for Council's contingencies.

4. Order—on Col. Montague's reporting the Protector's pleasure that John Archer, now prisoner in the Tower, should be set at liberty, on security to render himself 10 June next or on notice, security being already given,—that a warrant be issued to the Lieutenant of the Tower to liberate him.

5. Certain amendments to the Ordinance for the judges' salaries, [charging them on the Customs,] reported by Col. Jones from the Committee, read and agreed to. Approved 20 March.

8. The petition of Richard Makin, and Bathsua, his wife, referred to the Committee of Council to whom the business of the late King's goods at Somerset House stands referred, to report.

9. The salary for each of the three Admiralty Judges to be 500*l.* a year during the time of service, and the arrears to be speedily paid. The Inspection Commissioners to report out of what Treasury they may best be paid. Approved March 23.

10. The petition of Capt. Tobias Knowles referred to the Mint Committee, to report.

11. An Ordinance for passing bills for the custody of Idiots and Lunatics, signed by the Protector, twice read, somewhat amended, and agreed to. Approved 20 March.

12. The petition of Francis, Lord Willoughby of Parham, referred by the Protector to Council, referred to Rous, Mackworth, Montague, Jones, and Major, to report.

14. That of Col. Rosworme, engineer general, referred to Lambert, Skippon, Mackworth, and Jones, to report. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 152–154.]

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March 7. **30.** Petition of Rob. Inglish and Alex. Finlaw, merchants of London, to the Protector. On 8 March 1652–3, the late Council of State ordered a report to Parliament on a debt of their late Secretary, Gualter Frost, sen., of 4,490*l.* to us, due from him by law, but in right due from the State, but before the report was made, the House was dissolved.

On 29 June 1653, the next Council of State, on petition of Gualter Frost, jun., granted letters of indemnity therefrom, so that we cannot recover by law. We therefore beg payment. The debt has been due 11 years, and for want of it, we have suffered much disgrace and misery. With reference thereon to Council 3 March 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*]

March 7. Reference thereon by Council to Sir Gilb. Pickering, Col. Mackworth, and Mr. Rous, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 155.]

March 7. **31.** Petition of Wm. Dolton to the Protector or Council, for allowance for searching out the person that left 2 children, which were taken up at Whitehall, whereby he freed the State of that charge at great pains, but had no allowance. With reference thereon to the President of the Council, 27 Feb. 1653–4. [1 *page.*]

March 7. **32.** Reference thereon by Council to Mr. Jessop, to inquire into the petitioner's merit, and how the children are provided for, and to report. With note that the father is dead, but Dolton found the grandparents, who live in Whitechapel; one child is dead and the other put upon Whitechapel parish. [1 *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 156.]

March 7. **33.** Petition of Col. John Hewson, Governor of Dublin, to the Protector, for payment of 2,000*l.*, his dear-earned wages for service in England, or for a proportion of land from Salcy Forest, co. Northampton. Has contracted a most dreadful distemper by his service in England and Ireland. Parliament having ordered the first payment of arrears to be for those who went to Ireland, refused 12*s.* in the pound offered him for his arrears. His troop of horse is now reduced, his pay as governor stopped by the Commissioners of Parliament in Ireland, and his other pay as colonel will not support him. With reference thereon to Council 1 March 1653–4. [1 *page. Annexing,*

33. I. *Order in Parliament of* 11 *April* 1649, *alluded to.* [1 *page.*]

March 7. Whitehall. **34.** Reference thereon by Council to Maj.-Gen. Lambert, Mr. Strickland, and Col. Jones, to report. [1 *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 156.]

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4. An Ordinance for better keeping in repair the common highways read and committed to Rous, Mackworth, Jones, and Strickland.

5, 7. The petitions of Geo. Pickering, and of Col. John White, clerk of the Ordnance, referred to the Admiralty Commissioners, to report.

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10. The petition of Thos. Ivie committed to Rous, Mackworth, and Pickering, to report.

11. The Committee of Adventurers for Ireland attended the Protector and Council.

12. Lambert, Sydenham and Montague to speak with Alderman Fowke, and Mr. Glapthorne, about putting the forest lands into the best way of improvement.

14. Alderman Fowke's petition to the Protector read. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 154–6.]

March 7. Swiftsure, Ellen's Road.

35. Gens. Blake and Penn to the Admiralty Committee. By ours of the 4th, we find the treaty is still very uncertain, so that 1,000 soldiers are to go to Portsmouth to man the fleet if occasion be, which are too few; we desire that 500 or 1,000 more may be hastened to us. We have conferred with Mr. Willoughby as to bedding and clothes, and as Mr. Ridge, on whom you relied, cannot supply them, provision must be made elsewhere, or the soldiers will be rendered incapable of service.

We cannot employ Capt. Clarke as a master, there being no vacancy; we do not consider him competent for the Sovereign; she is waiting for her lower tier of ordnance, which we desire may be sent down. If your intelligence is true, we shall want her and many more great ships. Let the ships in the River be watched, and order the vessels plying in the Narrow to repair to the fleet, as their men are needed to man the Sovereign, upon which we very much depend. [1 *page.*]

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36. Copy of the above. [1 *page.*]

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37. Petition of Capt. Thos. Sydenham to the Protector. Large arrears were due to my brother, Major John Sydenham, slain in Scotland, for services in England and Ireland, to which I am legally entitled. I was never repaid money lent him to buy horses, &c., before going to Scotland, and all his papers were lost on his death. I attended Parliament two years thereon, and the Commissioners for Petitions ordered Carew Raleigh to report to Parliament that I should be satisfied out of Irish lands, but those lands were passed away before report was made. I beg satisfaction for these arrears, having myself faithfully served Parliament, and being much disabled by loss of blood. Also my brother, Major Francis Sydenham, was slain in the West, and his executors only received 80*l.* of his arrears. [1 *sheet holograph signed.*]*

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Reference thereon to Lambert, Jones, Wolsley and Strickland, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 157.]

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38. Petition of Capt. Samson Towgood to the Protector. Has served in England and Ireland since 1642. Has been unable to procure the benefit of the order of Parliament that those who went over to Ireland with his Highness should have their arrears in England

* This is the physician Sydenham, father of English medicine, from whom the Sydenham Society derived its name.—ED.

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first satisfied. His arrears are large, and he has suffered much in both nations, by losses and imprisonment. Begs speedy satisfaction in money or lands, or a letter to the power in Ireland to appoint him some convenient land there for his arrears in England. With reference erased to the Irish and Scotch Committee, 25 Jan. 1653–4, and reference to Vincent Gookin, Ger. Bennett, and Major Edw. Horsman, 20 Feb. 1653–4. [1¼ *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

38. I. *Report by the above that* 529*l.* 19*s.* 3¾*d. is due to the petitioner; that he served with signal valour and faithfulness, and has been wounded and imprisoned; that he is entitled to the benefit of the Act engaging priority of payment from escheated lands to the regiments that enengaged in the Irish service; and that he should have lands in the* 4 *counties of Dublin, &c. in full of his debts and merits. March* 2, 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*]

March 8. Order thereon in Council, a verbal reference of the case being made by the Protector, that Lambert, Jones, Wolsley and Strickland consider the case, and report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 157.]

[March 8.] **39.** Petition of Richard Childe, master, Wm. Fishman, part owner, mate, and pilot, and the mariners of the Peace of London, to the Protector. On a fishing voyage to Greenland, surprised the Frinte of Rotterdam, laden with lead, hemp, and oil for Rochelle, and brought her to England; but Hum. Beane and the rest of the freighters have obtained an order from the late Council of State [*see* 10 *June* 1653], whereby petitioners are deprived of any benefit of the prize, though the Court of Admiralty can show no precedent of freighters or merchants having an interest in such prizes, because if they are injured, the owners are bound to make good to them. Beg consideration of their pains and danger in taking the ship, and an order for the proportion allowed to Beane, to avoid a tedious suit in the Admiralty, which their employment in the service will not allow them to attend. With order by the Protector, 22 February 1653–4 that Council revoke the order of 10 June 1653, and distribute the prize amongst the master, seamen, and mariners. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

39. I. *Certificate by Lancelot Russell and* 14 *others to the truth of the petition, and also that the merchants concerned were much profited by the voyage, Childe having killed three whales before the other ships came.* [1 *page,* 12 *signatures.*]

March 8. Reference thereon by Council to Mackworth, Strickland, and Jones, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 157.]

March 8. **40, 41.** Petition of many poor and aged people that were the late King's servants to the Protector, to take off the restraint in the Exchequer, that they may be paid their allowances, having received nothing for ¾ of a year, and wanting food and raiment. With reference of this and like petitions to Council, to consider a way for relieving them. 3 Feb. 1653–4. Also report thereon by Capt. Thos. Faucon-

berg, that 2 lists passed the Revenue Commissioners for payment of 6,000*l.* to the servants, some of whom had been at Oxford, and some here, and that 800*l.* was paid, but the lists are now of no force, and that 800*l.* more should be paid in fit proportions, and they told that there would be no further payments, so that they might not attend further. 27 Feb. 1653–4. [2 *papers.*]

March 8. Order thereon in Council accordingly. Approved 23 March. [*I.* 75. *p.* 158.]

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4. Order on Mr. Rous' report from the Committee on petition of Sarah Potter, that the business be recommitted to them.

5. Mr. Strickland to attend the Committee on the business of M. Augier, and they to hasten their report.

8. The papers of Col. John Lilburne and the examinations had thereon referred to Lambert, Pickering, and Mackworth, to send for such witnesses as they desire, and to report what they think fit to be done.

11. The petition of John White referred to Montague, Wolsley, and Sydenham, to send for such persons or papers as they shall require, and report. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 157–8.]

March 8. **42.** Proposals delivered [by Mr. Whitwell] on the rules of the Committee of Council about the Greenland trade.

1. That in the quorum of seven of the committee, there should be one of each interest, unless those having notice neglect to appear.

2. That notice of those intending to ship to Greenland should be given in before 10 March.

3. That the Muscovy Company and Hull Adventurers should have $\frac{2}{3}$ of this year's fishing, and Horth, Batson, and Whitwell the other $\frac{1}{3}$.

4. That as the fishing season draws near, the names of the proposed committee be given in at Founders' hall next Thursday, and that they meet each Tuesday and Thursday. With request for protection from impress for the mariners and harpooners to be employed. [1 *page.*]

March 8. **43.** Notes from the above, and order in the Council for Trade that the several interests send in persons, five at most for each, from whom Council will choose six, to put their resolves into form, and settle a Committee. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

March 8. Dublin. **44.** Roger Jones to the Navy Commissioners. I am sorry the misinformation of a Papist should so much prejudice me as to make me thought a contemner of authority and a deceiver of the State, both of victuals and wages, when I detested complying with my purser, or any other to the State's disadvantage. I only saw Mr. Dermott once, and never saw any official warrant or order he had to muster. I saw a paper signed by Holland and Smith, but one has been long out of office, and none was produced from the present Government, or I would have observed it. I deny that I left my ship in danger in coming by land. [1 *page.*]

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[March 9.] **45.** Petition of the soapmakers of London and elsewhere to the Protector, for redress. Being under the burden of Excise, we have petitioned all the powers ruling this nation for redress, and have many promises of it, but find none. We have proposed one to the Commissioners for regulating the Excise, but having little hope but from you, we send it you, our oppressions being caused merely by inequality in the leviation of excise. 13 signatures. Noted as read with the Ordinance for Excise. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

45. I. *Complaint of the soapmakers to the Excise Commissioners, that they pay 6d. in the pound on all materials imported. and 4s.8d a barrel on soap made, though no excise is laid on other inland goods, and therefore many make it privately, and in the night, and thus escape the searchers, who come two or three times a day to the known traders. They beg that the excise may be on the materials only, increased to 4s. the cwt. on potashes, which would bring in 3,220l. a year; 2l. a tun on oil, 8,000l.; and 2l. a cwt. on tallow 400l., which would amount to more than the present excise on soap, prevent inconvenience, and be levied peaceably.* [1 *sheet.*]

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1. Col. Mackworth to have the house in the Mews which Col. Hewson had, and Mr. Embree to put him in possession as soon as Hewson leaves.

3. The business touching Serjeant Glanvile recommended to the former Committee, to hear the Western gentlemen and Glanvile about the condemning of Turpin at Exeter, and to report. Cooper and Rous added to the Committee.

4. An Ordinance for continuing the Excise read the first and second time, and committed to the same Committee who brought it in, and ordered to be reported to-morrow morning, with the Ordinances for continuing the customs and the impositions upon coals.

5. The catechism by Mr. Bidle to be considered next Tuesday. [*I.* 75, *p.* 159.]

March 9. London. **46.** Edw. Whitwell to Wm. Jessop, Whitehall. I send you 4 names; Arnold Beake, Thos. Muschamp, John Warner, and Edw. Whitwell, in whom our friends are willing to confide. Also names of 21 persons of such consequence to the [Greenland] voyage that it would be overthrown without them; they should be saved from impress. Mr. Perkins has always been of the Muscovy company. [⅔ *page.*]

March 9. **47.** Rich. Batson to Thos. Horth. Let Ald. Ashe know that I desire myself and Hum. Beane to be of the Committee. [*Scrap.*]

March 9. **48.** List by Thos. Horth of adventurers for Greenland. Thos. Meadowes of Yarmouth, Major Robert Huntingdon, Thos Horth, sen., Thos. Horth, jun. [*Scrap.*]

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March 9. Whitehall. **49.** Gen. Geo. Monck to the Navy Commissioners. I send extract of the Generals' letter of the 7th, that Mr. Ridge the slopseller cannot supply clothes and bedding for the soldiers, and you must send for him and quicken him to perform his promise or make some other provision. Send a warrant to the rulers of the Watermen's Company to impress 100 able seamen or watermen, and send 50 to the Torington and 50 to the Plymouth. [1 *page.*]

49. I. *Extract from the Generals' letter of* 7 *March.* [½ *page, see p.* 14 *suprà.*]

March 10. **50.** Petition of Col. John Carter, Governor of Conway, to the Protector. On several emergencies, occasioned by insurrections of the malignant party, I, by order of Gen. Fairfax, disbursed money for victualling and repairing the fortifications of Conway garrison, in all 504*l.* 12*s.*; but the Army Commissioners require me to pay this money, saying they cannot allow it on my account; I beg its allowance out of moneys for the contingent charges of the army. With reference thereon to Council to find some speedy way for his reimbursement. 3 March 1653–4. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

50. I., II. *Account of Capt. Wm. Oakes' disbursements on Col. Carter's orders for Conway Castle, since* 15 *Jan.* 1647–8, 562*l.* 2*s.*; *on which* 57*l.* 10*s. being received for provisions delivered out to soldiers, leaves the balance* 504*l.* 12*s. Audited by Cols. Thos. Mason, and G. Twisleton, and Thos. Madrin, on an order from Gen. Cromwell, of* 2 *Dec.* 1652, *on* 20 *Feb.* 1652–3. [2 *copies.*]

March 10. Reference thereon by Council to Mackworth, Jones, and Strickland. [*I.* 75, *p.* 160.]

March 10. **51.** Petition of Ant. Jackson, prisoner in the Tower, to the Protector, for release, as granted to others in arms, on security not to act prejudicially. Was a servant only to the late young King of Scots, but never in arms, and was taken at the battle of Worcester, and kept ever since, having only charity to subsist on. Noted, "Herald that proclaimed C[harles] S[tuart]." With reference to Council to take fit security, 22 Feb. 1653–4. [1 *page.*]

March 10. Note of the reading of the petition in Council, but no order. [*I.* 75, *p.* 160. *See* 5 *Feb.* 1656.]

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3. The report made by Col. Jones on the petition of Lady Hungerford recommitted to Cooper, Strickland, Mackworth, and Jones, to state the interest of the 500*l.*, and report.

8. The present report made by Mr. Secretary to Council, touching the business of Holland, put under secrecy.

9. The orders of 9 and 10 Feb. 1653–4 in the case of Edw. Backwell superseded; and as he has paid for lands in Hampton Court and Bushy 5,110*l.* 19*s.*, and his Highness will' allow him 1,100*l.* more for release thereof, on his signing the release, the Treasurers for sale of crown lands are to pay him 6,202*l.* 17*s.*

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10. Order on report on the petition of Isaac Lyte [*see* 28 Feb., *suprà*] that he be at liberty to transport to Spain as many as he desires of the 6,000 swords, with Irish hilts and calf skin scabbards, which he contracted for, of which the Customs' Commissioners are to take note. The contract with the late Ordnance Committee for purchase of the swords to be discharged. Approved 23 March. *Annexing,*

52. I. *Report alluded to, made on certificate that the contract was made for the swords at 4s. (sic) each, on assignation, but the consideration of it respited till the treasurers were consulted, and meanwhile the time of the Council expired.* [¾ *page.*]

11. A draft of an answer to be given to the paper of M. Bonnel, presented by Mr. Secretary, read and agreed to.

12. Also a draft of an answer to the paper of the Hamburg agent, touching the comprehending of the Hanseatic towns in the treaty.

13. An Ordinance for continuation of an Act of Parliament, entitled an Act for the Continuation of the Customs until March 26, reported from the Committee for the Treasuries by Major-Gen. Lambert, twice read and agreed to. Approved 20 March.

14. Also an Ordinance for continuation of an Act for laying an Imposition upon Coals towards building and maintaining ships for guarding the seas. Approved 20 March.

15. Amendments to the Ordinance for continuing the Excise read, voted one by one, and agreed to.

16. Order that next Tuesday be a day for Committees, and that Council do not sit.

17. Order that no persons take away or embezzle any of the materials of Paul's Church, London, or of the scaffolds about it, or which are fallen down; the Lord Mayor and Justices of Peace of the City to take care that the same be preserved, and cause all offenders to be apprehended and punished.

18. **53.** Alderman Fowke, George Glapthorne, Col. Webb, Mr. Cresset, and John Parker to consider how the business of the forests may be best improved for the benefit of the State, and to report. They are authorised to send for such persons and papers as they require.

19. Council adjourned till Monday. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 159–162.]

March 10. **54.** Assignation by Edw. Marston, of Westminster, to Isaac Phillipps, merchant of London, on purchase, of an obligation in 1,000*l.*, whereby Capts. Thos. Garnet and Wm. Gregory are bound to Marston to execute faithfully a commission of reprisal for the Grace of Feversham, and to give in accounts to Marston within 10 days after taking a prize; a quarter of the merchandize on board, and of all the moneys to be paid under the said obligation. [1 *sheet.*]

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Whitehall. **55.** Robert Blackborne to the Navy Commissioners. The Admiralty Commissioners desire they will send word what has been done upon General Monck's letter as to providing bedding and clothes for the 1,000 soldiers sent to Portsmouth. [⅔ *page.*]

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March 11. **56.** Nath. Manton to his cousin, Sec. Thurloe. According to your orders I have sent my servant for 68*l.*, with receipted letter, I have told my brother Manton of his Highness' pleasure to hear him, and he will perform his duty whenever called, only he desires 3 days' notice. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*] *Annexing,*

56. I., II. *Receipts for* 40*l. and* 28*l., paid to Israel Bernhard,* 2 *Jan. and* 17 *Feb., at Rouen and Bourdeaux.* [*Scraps.*]

March 13. **57.** Petition of Theophilus, Earl of Lincoln, to the Protector. Tattenhall Castle, co. Lincoln, the house of my ancestors, was made a garrison for the late Parliament, and then demolished by order of the Council of State of 26 April 1649.

By Parliament order of 20 June 1649, it was referred to the Council of State whether I should be recompensed therefor, but the Parliament dissolved before report.

Recompense has been allowed in like cases to the Earl of Rutland, Lord Say, and the Countess of Kent, as appears by orders annexed, and I beg like reparation. Noted as brought in by Sir C. Wolsley, on a reference from his Highness. [1 *page. Annexing,*

57. I. *Orders of the Council of State of* 26 *April,* 21 *Aug., and* 17 *Nov.* 1649, *for the demolition of the castle.* [1 *page.*]

57. II. *Parliament order, on report from the Council of State, that the Earl of Lincoln should be recompensed as the Earl of Rutland had been, referring it to the said Council to see what should be done.* 20 *June* 1649. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page, printed in Commons' Journal, Vol. VI., p.* 238.]

57. III. *Parliament order allowing the Earl of Rutland* 1,500*l. for demolition of Belvoir Castle.* 11 *June* 1649. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page, Commons' Journal, Vol. VI., p.* 228.]

57. IV. *Like order allowing William Viscount Say and Seele* 2,000*l. for Banbury Castle.* 14 *June* 1648. [$1\frac{3}{4}$ *pages, Commons' Journal, Vol. V., p.* 598.]

57. V. *Like order allowing the Countess of Kent* 1,000*l. for Goodrich Castle.* 14 *Sept.* 1649. [1 *page, Commons' Journal, Vol. VI., p.* 295.]

March 13. Order on question on the petition that it be not committed, but referred to the pleasure of the next Parliament. [*I.* 75, *p.* 163.]

[March 13.] Papers presented to the Committee of Posts—

58, 59. State of the case in reference to the claim of Sir David Watkins, Mr. Witherings, and others, to the foreign post office, during the life of Wm. Frizel, who is certified under the town seal of Antwerp to be alive there in Jan. 1652–3. This report was made to the Council of State, reported to Parliament, and delivered in to the

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Committee by Watkins, 3 Feb. 1653–4. It contains an abstract of the several grants and orders from 15 March, 1 Charles, to 16 Feb. 1649–50. [2 *copies.*]

March 13. **60.** Like document, but carrying down the proceedings to 30 Jan. 1653–4. [1⅔ *sheets.*]

March 13. **61.** The case as above, noting that Frizel was alive 27 Aug. 1653. Objection: that the office should be in the disposal of the State. Answer: that the Council of State had referred Witherings' claim to a Committee, who pronounced it good, but Parliament was dissolved before it was reported. [1 *sheet, printed.*]

[March 13.] **62.** Hen. Robinson to Sir Ant. Ash. Cooper. I find, by patents enrolled according to the enclosed pamphlet, that the office of controller of the posts, to which both the letter offices were incident, was granted to certain persons, and the validity can no more be questioned than any other title to office. By conveyances it has come to me, but being kept from it by prevalence of those in power, I have for 3 or 4 years past tried to entitle the State thereto, finding the nation oppressed, correspondence and traffic obstructed by the high rates of postage, and Witherings, who held the foreign office, a delinquent; but I could not prevail till last April, when the Council of State took both the offices into their own hands, and farmed them.

When the Commissioners for frauds and discoveries were appointed, I applied to them, and tried to make out that the past profits of the office are as much due to the State as the growing profits which they have taken. Then those gentlemen applied to the Protector, hoping to get an order from him without notice to me, but he referred the case to you.

This pamphlet was printed in the beginning of the Long Parliament, for their information, but nothing could then prevail against the power of the Earl of Warwick, who doubtless had a moiety settled on him to protect Witherings' broken title.

You see that, as I have surrendered the right I derived from Lord Stanhope, the State can dispose of the offices. You seem to think patents might be blasted as monopolies, but this could not be, for the trust and power of laying post stages could not be prostituted to the generality, for fear of conveying intelligence or enemies without control. No man can carry letters unless he can settle post stages and postmasters. The undertakers cannot complain, because in 1649, Parliament voted the offices to be in the State, and ordered their disposal to the best advantage, though private interest long obstructed it.—10 Feb. 1653–4. [2¾ *pages.*] *Annexing,*

62. I. *Note of the patents,* 22 *Eliz., to* 1640, *by which Lord Stanhope claimed the office of Master of the Posts, and of other proceedings thereon, Lord Stanhope begging restoration to the office, which has been witheld from him* **16** *years.* 10 *Feb.* 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*]

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[March 13.] **63.** Statement of the derivation of Hen. Robinson's title to the office, by deputation from Charles Lord Stanhope, 25 Sept. 1635, to Endymion and George Porter, and from them to him, 1 March 1641–2. 10 Feb. 1653–4. [1 *page.*]

[March 13.] **64.** Notes sent to the Committee for Posts of the said grants on behalf of Lord Stanhope. 10 Feb. 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*]

March 13. **65.** The case of the first undertakers for reducing letters to half the former rates, viz., Clem. Oxenbridge, Rich. Blackwall, Fra. Thomson, and Wm. Malyn.

We observed that the postage of inland letters was long continued at 6*d.* a letter, and that the whole benefit went into one hand, to the grievance of many. Being encouraged by the votes of the late Parliament (made in the time of their primitive, free, and public actings, viz., 16 Aug. 1642), that the taking of letters from, and the restraints and imprisonments of Grover, Chapman, Cotton, and Mackedral, were against law and the liberty of the subject, and that they ought to have reparation and damages from Sir John Coke and Sir Francis Windebank, then Secretaries of State, and Mr. Witherings, and that the said secretaries and Witherings were delinquents, being also encouraged by the opinion of the judges given in the House of Lords, in the case of the Earl of Warwick and Mr. Witherings, 9 July 1646, that the clause in Witherings' patent for restraint of carrying letters was void and against law,—we attempted to put the same in practice, but through the interest of Mr. Prideaux, who for many years had enjoyed excessive gains by the former high rates, we met with all the obstruction he could make against us, by stopping our mails, abusing our servants, &c., though he had always held forth that it was free for any to carry or send letters as they pleased.

The late Parliament referred it to the Council of State to consider how the postage of inland and foreign letters might be best managed, and they referred it to the Scotch and Irish Committee, who prefixed a day for persons to give in their offers to the Committee, sealed up as at a public box, where we outbid all others 2,000*l.* a year; only it was objected against us that we had a caution in our offer that the money might be employed for the relief of the poor and maimed soldiers, which we did out of tenderness to liberty, and to prevent the scandal of a monopoly. Though the Committee's proceedings were reported to the Council of State, yet through the prevalence of Mr. Prideaux and his party, we could never obtain a resolution of the Council of State, nor have the case reported to Parliament; but by the subtle wiles of Mr. Prideaux, a mock motion was made in the late Parliament, of offering 40,000*l.* for the grant of the said offices for 21 years, at the old rates, thereby to obtain a second reference to the Council of State, of set design to weary us out.

Notwithstanding this, we prosecuted our undertaking, publishing to all persons to carry letters at half the former rates, and to have returns three times weekly, which Mr. Prideaux perceiving, he published to carry at the same rates and times. This not availing according to his expectation, most people being sensible that their benefit

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[March 13.] came by us, his agents renewed their affronts to ours upon the roads, and one of them, as he was riding with the mail, was murdered, and thrown into a river, near to the place where a son of one of the old postmasters assaulted another of our servants with a drawn sword.

These practices not accomplishing his aim, an order from the Council of State was procured, not to stop us or our mails, that being too apparently illegal, but in such doubtful terms as might affright the weak from sending their letters to us. Libels also were posted up and down the city by him or his agents, signifying that our mails should be stopped, but his go free. This project failing, Mr. Prideaux, out of a hypocritical pretence of keeping the Sabbath day, by his own warrant commanded his postmasters to require the justices of peace in the several counties to stop our mails on the Sabbath, whereas his own went free. Through this cunning practice, he put us to extraordinary charges by servants and horses. Notwithstanding which we persisted in our undertaking, and whilst we were labouring amidst these difficulties, it pleased God to devolve authority on such worthy persons as had from the beginning countenanced us in our work; who, in their first entrance on their management of public affairs, entrusted us with their ordinary and extraordinary despatches, which so daunted our antagonist that he deserted the business.

We continued to perform the service of the State freely, fulfilling all things concerning the postage of inland letters; we reduced the same into one channel, and entertained as many of the old postmasters as were honest and well-affected, according to direction of the Council of State (which constrained us to lay aside divers of those honest persons ready to assist us in carrying on so good a work); took the old posthouse in London, where 3 days a week the State and all persons were accommodated; provided packet boats for Ireland, and were in forwardness to settle stages between London and Yarmouth, and other stages desired by the Council of State in their order of 7 May [1653]; when on a sudden, a reference was made from the Council of State to Col. Rich and other officers, to consider of the management of the postage of Inland and Foreign letters. They, notwithstanding all we could allege to the contrary, appointed a day when they would expose the same to be farmed by such as would give most, although we acquainted them with the aforesaid vote, the Judges' opinion, and that it would dissatisfy the people to put such an imposition on them, and urged further, that if they resolved the same should be let to farm, we in justice ought to be preferred. Rather than suffer the management to be put into the hands of such as might rack and exact upon the people, an offer was made by Ben. Andrews, a person interested with us, of 9,100*l.* a year, 800*l.* more than was offered by [John] Manley, the present farmer thereof; yet. Col. Rich suffered Manley to take advantage of an offer of 10,100*l.* a year made by a paper put in in the name of one Kendal (then absent and not privy thereto), although our offer of 9,100*l.*, with our disbursements, would have been of more advantage for the State.

[March 13.] Col. Rich so eagerly prosecuted the said business that he presented a report to the Council within two days, which was before we could be heard, but being that instant called in by Council to know what we had to offer, we desired our papers formerly presented to be read; which being granted, Major Gen. Lambert declared that the intention of Council was that we should have the refusal before any other, and if any offered more than we were willing to give, that we should be reimbursed our expenses, We rendered our thanks, and told the Council that if (for reasons which we could not discern) it should be judged lawful to set the postages to farm, we desired no further favour than to have the refusal, and time to make it out that we had bid most, our disbursements considered.

After we were withdrawn, Col. Rich, after private conference with a member of Council, so represented the business that an order within half an hour was passed by Council immediately to invest Manley with the management of the inland and foreign letters. He, that very night, without further warning, demanded the letters which we had received, and the profits of the letters then brought to us by our own servants, at our own charges.

With much persuasion, we prevailed with Manley that the money should be deposited into a clerk's hand intrusted by him, till the pleasure of Council were known; yet before that could be obtained, Manley, with some old clerks and postmasters of Mr. Prideaux's company, violently with swords broke into our house, where our letters and goods were, thrust out our servants, and by force kept possession. The same night Manley and others violently broke into the dwelling house of some of us in Wood Street, demanded the letters there, and would by force have broken into the room were some of us were, had we not by main strength kept the door against them, and he, with threatening speeches, required us not to receive any more letters. On complaint to Col. Rich, he, with rough words, commanded us not to meddle with receiving or sending any more letters, declaring that such was the sense of the Council's order, and that if we persisted, those of us who had any employment under the State should be turned out, and soldiers should be sent to our houses, to stop persons bringing any letters to us. From real tenderness to the present posture of public affairs in that juncture of time, we forbore contest, in expectation of justice from the supreme authority, rather than occasion disturbance.

Since then we have often attended Col. Rich and the other officers appointed by Council to adjust the accounts of our disbursements, which amount to 4,000*l.*, yet cannot prevail with them to do anything. We doubt not, when the truth of the premises shall appear, we shall receive such justice from this Parliament as shall be an encouragement to us and all and other public-spirited persons. *Annexing,*

65. I. *Order in Parliament of* 16 *August* 1642 *alluded to, on Mr. Ellis's report from the Committee to whom the business of the Letter Office was referred—that the sequestration of the Inland Letter Office to Philip*

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Burlamachy is illegal and void, and ought to be taken off, and that Mr. Burlamachy and his deputy shall forthwith bring in an account of the profit of the office received by him since the sequestration, to the Committee of Accounts.

That the proclamation in pursuance of the sequestration is illegal and void.

Upon Mr. Prideaux's report from the Committee for the Postmasters, it was resolved: That the taking of several letters from the carriers, and the imprisonment of Grover, Chapman, Cotton, and Mackedral is against the law, liberty, and freedom of the subject. That the several persons ought to have reparation from Sir John Coke, Sir Francis Windebank, the Secretaries of State, and Mr. Witherings, that the said persons are all delinquents. [3 *pages, printed.*]

[March 13.] **66, 67, 68.** Breviate of the above case, stating the undertakers' disbursements at 3,238*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.*, whereby their offer is really 1,938*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.* more than Manley's, 500*l.* being abated in his first payment. [3 *copies.*]

[March 13.] **69.** Notes on the above case in the Committee for Posts, stating the grounds of their claim. As their engaging in the matter was not on the State's account, but in an endeavour to take away the State's interest, they have no right to claim any recompense for disbursements, and the Irish and Scotch Committee had power to report, but not to contract. 10 Feb. 1653–4. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

[March 13.] **70.** Petition of John Hunt, Mayor, and the burgesses, and inhabitants of Thetford, Norfolk, to the Protector and Council. We have for years past employed a faithful messenger, Nich. Reader, to carry our letters, &c. to London, and used him for bringing down commissions, making affidavits, &c., in which we could not with confidence employ a stranger; his obstruction will ruin him, hinder trade, and be resented as a monopoly. We beg his liberation from imprisonment, and leave to proceed quietly as before. 145 signatures. [1 *sheet, damaged.*]

[March 13.] **71.** Petition of John Mann, Mayor, and 22 aldermen and inhabitants of Norwich, to the Protector. Having much commerce with London, we have always employed a faithful and careful messenger to carry letters, bills of exchange, &c., but he has lately been molested by John Manley, whose agents have not only rifled and detained our letters and goods, but charged more than double price for small parcels of ware, which is a greater burden to many of us than the monthly assessments. Also as Manley does not go through from hence to London, we are deprived of returning commissions and affidavits, to our great prejudice. Also Nich. Reader has been imprisoned since 14 Oct. last, on a warrant of contempt, procured by Manley for not appearing before the late Council of State, though

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we can prove that he had but 24 hours' notice, and the distance is 100 miles.

Having bought our liberties at vast expense of blood and treasure, we hope not again to be troubled with distasteful monopolies, but to have liberty to convey our letters freely. With reference thereon, 3 March 1653–4, to the Committee on the posts. 23 signatures. [1 *sheet.*]

[March 13.] **72.** Copy of the above, said to be subscribed by 700 or 800 of the chief inhabitants. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

72. I. 3 *sheets containing about* 700 *signatures, probably belong- to the above petition, but not found with it.*

[March 13.] **73.** Another copy of the above, [1 *sheet, much damaged.*]

[March 13.] **74.** Report, by Sir G. Pickering, of the Committee of Council on the Posts on the above documents. As to the claim of Watkins and Witherings, their charge in settling the office was compensated by their many years' profits. Considering the importance of the trust, the State ought to be at liberty to choose their own officers, as frequently done in offices held by patent under the late King. No rent being reserved thereon, the State should improve just advantages. The sequestration was pronounced illegal, it is true, but the State's right to change its officers cannot be debarred.

Lord Stanhope's grant was surrendered 13 Charles by Charles Lord Stanhope; it has been said that the surrender was unduly procured, and was illegal, but as the patent was delivered to Att. Gen. Bankes, with direction for vacating the record, the proceeding should not be questioned. Hen. Robinson's claim is only by deputation from Lord Stanhope, and is involved in his surrender, and Robinson so questioned the validity of his own title that, in Dec. 1650, he accepted Lord Stanhope's right to prosecute the title in his name, receiving half the profits.

The first undertakers urge that if to their offer of 9,100*l.* were added half of their disbursements of 3,238*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.*, it would exceed by 719*l.* 8*s.* 1*d.* the 10,000*l.* a year offered by Manley, to whom 500*l.* was abated.

Also that Manley had really only offered 8,300*l.*, but took the benefit of the offer of Kendal, who was not present.

They will accept the inland postage on such terms as his Highness and Council think fit. They claim nothing by any act of State. The rate offered at the first bidding was never reported to Parliament, on whose confirmation it depended. The highest offer on the last bidding was owned by Manley, though tendered by another, and so accepted by the Committee. The State, not having engaged the undertakers, is not obliged to satisfy their surplusage of disbursements.

Opinion that as, before the last change of government, the rent reserved on the post office was 10,000*l.* a year, Manley's contract should remain undisturbed, but that the undertakers' disbursements should be adjusted, and a debate had whether any part of them ought to be allowed. [6 *pages.*]

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March 13. Order in Council on the above report and the respective claims of Watkins, Wm. Witherings and others, Lord Stanhope, and Henry Robinson, and the first undertakers for reducing the postage of inland letters to half their former rates; and on consideration of a verbal report of the petitions of the city of Norwich, and town of Thetford.

That the contract made by the late Council of State, in the interval of Parliament, with John Manley for farming the Inland and Foreign Letter Offices, at the rent of 10,000*l.* per annum for 2 years, be confirmed.

That the disbursements of the first undertakers over and above what they raised be adjusted.

That the adjusting thereof, and the consideration whether any and what part of the overplus disbursements will be allowed by the State, be referred back to the said Committee.

That the Ordinance for confirming Mr. Manley's contract be prepared, and presented to Council at their next meeting. Approved 23 March. [*I.* 75, *p.* 165.]

March 13. **75, 76.** Petition of divers inhabitants of Hambleton, co. Rutland, to the Protector and Council. Through the oppression of Col. Thos. Waite, by enclosing the town, and taking away the best of our lands (contrary to his promise, when we signed a petition to the Trustees for Sale of Delinquents' Estates, that he might purchase the town) we were obliged, at great expense, to come up to town and petition the late Council of State. They referred us to Parliament, who appointed a Committee to examine the case, and Col. Waite offered an agreement which, for peace's sake, we accepted. But Parliament dissolving, he refuses to make it good, intending to prevent us by poverty from helping ourselves, so that we shall be ruined, and the town depopulated. Col. Waite promised not to enclose the lands, nor to take anything from us, but to grant us leases for 21 years. We beg that he may make good his agreement, and that we may re-enter our lands, and be paid our unsupportable costs and damages by reason of his unjust enclosure. [1 *page.* 2 *copies.*]

March 13. Order thereon that Col. Waite attend Council on the 28th instant. [*I.* 75, *p.* 165.]

March 13. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on report on Wm. Wright's petition [*see* 3 March 1654] that 52*l.* 10*s.* be paid for Lord Ireton's tomb from Council's contingencies, viz., 20*l.* to the petitioner and 32*l.* 10*l.* to Hugh Peters, in deposit till the tomb is set up; and that a warrant issue to Frost accordingly. Approved 23 March.

2. Order on report on Edm. Manning's petition [*see* 3 March, *suprà*], allowing him liberty to import 50 tons of whale fins. The officers of Customs to take notice. Approved 23 March.

4. An Ordinance for trial of public preachers and lecturers read twice, and committed to Rous, Pickering, Mackworth, and Sydenham, who brought it in. Lisle, Wolsley, and Cooper added to the Committee, and to report to Council next Wednesday.

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5. The burgesses and assistants of Westminster attending Council were called in, and presented a petition and proposals which were read, and committed to Strickland, Mackworth, Rous, Pickering, Jones, and Major, to report.

6. An Ordinance reported by Col. Mackworth for repealing divers clauses and penalties in an Act of the late Parliament, entitled an Act for Accounts and Public Debts, read and agreed to.

7. Order on Mr. Rous' report from the Committee of Council on the petition of Capt. Jos. Smith, and in consideration of his maims and wounds received in the service, that his pension be made up 20*s.* a week, and that the Treasurer at Ely House pay him the same, any orders to the contrary notwithstanding. Approved 23 March.

8. The petition of Capt. Giles Horsington, and Jeremy Bodley, for themselves and the surveyors, clerks, and messengers of the Drury House Trustees, committed to Strickland, Major, and Rous, to report.

12. The draft of a commission for constituting Commissioners to treat with the Ambassadors Extraordinary from the States' General of the United Provinces read, and to be offered to the Protector.

13. The petition of William Earl of Bedford's adventurers, and participants in draining the great level of the Fens referred to the Committee to whom Sir Wm. Killigrew's petition was referred, to report. Lisle, Strickland, and Rous added to the Committee.

14. Secretary Thurloe signifies that Capt. John Coppin, having petitioned for an allowance in respect of wounds received in the State's service, the Protector is pleased to allow him a prize ship, the Raynden, now at Rye, certified by the Prize Goods' Commissioners to be appraised at 265*l.*, he only paying 100*l.* for the same, and requests Council's concurrence. Order that the ship with its tackle be delivered him, on his paying the above sum to the Collectors for Prize Goods.

15. **77.** Order,—on Col. Jones' report from the Admiralty Commissioners, that the Peter of Rotterdam, mentioned in a petition of Anthonio Fernandez Caravajal to the late Council of State, was taken prize by some commonwealth ships, and in a suit in the Admiralty Court was adjudged to be released, and that it is informed by the Navy Commissioners that she is not fit for the public service,—that the Peter be restored to her proprietors, with the furniture and stores specified in the inventory annexed to the report. The Admiralty Judges and Navy Commissioners to take notice hereof. Approved 23 March. *Annexing,*

77. I. *Appraisement of the said ship, &c., total,* 1,195*l.* 31 *March.* 1654. [1 *page.*]

18. Order, on Col. Jones' report of the case of the Cheshire gentlemen engaged for payment of moneys that were taken up for Parliament,—being by an order of Parliament of July 16,1648 ascertained at 751*l.* 1*s.* and 2,145*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.*, making in all 2,896*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.*,—that the

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said sum, with interest since July 16, 1652, be paid out of estates of persons guilty of delinquency since 1648, to be discovered by the said gentlemen within 6 days. Approved 23 March. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 163–6.]

March 13. Leghorn. **78.** Charles Longland to the Admiralty Committee, The Dutch men-of-war here are all discharged out of pay and service, as also those at Toulon, so that the seas are now clear, but the French have begun their old trade again, having taken 2 or 3 ships of this place, an Englishman from Zante with currants, and another, after 5 hours' fighting, putting all the men to the sword. I hope the Lord will move his Highness and Council to revenge this cruelty, and the many damages that nation has done us, and beseech you to lend a helping hand; for although it should be true that the peace is made with Holland, yet 3 of the French ships do more mischief in these seas than 20 Dutch, and having got the sweets of thieving, to our nation's cost, they will not leave it except beaten and compelled thereto. With copy of the letter of 20 Feb. [1½ *pages.*]

March 13. Little Britain. **79.** Commissioners for Sick and Wounded to the Admiralty Committee. On your order of 17 Jan. we examined the account of Robert Shaw and Rich. Duckingfield, the surgeons who attended the sick and wounded sent to Great Yarmouth, which was audited by Messrs. Ashby and Preston, the bailiffs there, and recommend that 35*l.*, or 5*s.* per day for 140 days, be paid to Shaw, and a gratuity of 15*l.* to Duckingfield, who receives the State's pay as surgeon's mate. [⅔ *page.*] *Annexing,*

79. I. *Order of the Admiralty Commissioners to the Navy Commissioners for its payment,* 14 *March* 1653–4. [⅔ *page.*]

March 13. Little Britain. **80.** Commissioners for Sick and Wounded to the Admiralty Committee. We have perused the Dover accounts of disbursements for sick and wounded, amounting to 1,227*l.* 16*s.* 5*d.*, but not above a 6th part has been expended in diet, lodging, and attendance upon those poor creatures; and as the allowance is only 1*s.* a day to the English and 6*d.* a day to the Dutch, which amounts to 202*l.*, there has been above 1,020*l.* expended in charges, a list of which we enclose, with our opinions on their extravagance, and the prejudice to the State in some particulars. They have received 400*l.* but demand 827*l.* 16*s.* 5*d.* more. [⅔ *page.*]

March 14. The Swiftsure, Ellen's Road. **81.** Gens. Blake and Penn to the Admiralty Committee. We will think of one or more vessels to ply about to secure trade near Lundy, but it is one part of the station where the Irish squadron ought to ply.

We have received and distributed 400 of the soldiers lately sent, but suspend the rest till we hear further; pray order some beds to be hastened down, as also the ships in the River and in the Narrow, in order to a conjunction. The Sovereign has gone into Stokes Bay to be fitted. [1 *page.*]

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March 14. **82.** Warrant by the Commissioners for inspecting the Treasuries to the Treasurers-at-war, to pay 4841*l.* 12*s.* to Rich. Hutchinson, Navy Treasurer, to be issued on warrants from the Admiralty Committee. Receipted 16 March. [1½ *pages.*]

March 14. **83.** Like warrant to pay to Hutchinson 1,582*l.* 19*s.* 7*d.* to be issued on like warrants. Receipted 16 March. [1½ *pages.*]

March 15. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on Maj.-Gen. Desborow's report from the Admiralty Commissioners of an Ordinance to continue the Act for impressing seamen, that the time for continuance of this Ordinance be Nov. 1, 1654; the Ordinance so amended agreed to.

2. Also an Ordinance, reported by Col. Mackworth, appointing Commissioners for approbation of public preachers.

3. The petition of Thos. Kendall to be considered to-morrow.

4. Order on a letter from the Mayor of Lancaster to Maj.-Gen. Lambert, importing the stay of M. Hipolito Gabriel in his way to Scotland, that a clerk of Council write to the Mayor that Council is pleased to let Gabriel go, he being employed to Scotland with the Protector and Council's allowance.

6. Cooper, Pickering, and Wolsley to draw up the case of the Earl of Lincoln, on the petition lately referred by Council to the pleasure of the next Parliament. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 166–7.]

March 15. **84.** Order in the Committee for Greenland, on presentation of names of persons to attend this Committee, that Fras. Ashe, John Dickons, and Hugh Norris attend for the Muscovy Company; for Edw. Whitwell and co., John Warner, and Edw. Whitwell; for Thos. Horth, and co., Thos. Horth, sen., and for Rich. Perkins, Fras. Pargiter. [*Draft,* 1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

84. I. *List of names presented by the Muscovy Company for their committee, viz., Ashe, Dickons, and Norris, Steven Whyte, and Phil. Colley.* [*Scrap.*]

84. II. *Note by Rich. Hawkins of names drawn by the Hull Adventurers for their committee, viz.: Roger Drayton, John Jolliffe, Geo. Poyner, Fras. Pargiter, Rob. Cumminge.* [*Scrap.*]

March 15. **85.** List of the names accepted, with orders to them to attend on Friday, and note of Hum. Beane and Rich. Batson to attend for Mr. Batson and co. [1 *page.*]

March 16. **86.** Petition of Anne Countess of Lauderdale to the Protector. By my marriage contract, I had, under the Great Seal of Scotland, a life-rent in Bruntstaine and other lands, with proviso that I should receive the rents from the tenants in my husband's lifetime, and that neither he nor his creditors should have any right therein.

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Yet the sequestration commissioners at Leith, before whom I have sued for them, detain them, on pretence of a grant thereof by the commissioner at Dalkeith to the laird of Swinton. According to the laws of Scotland, no forfeiture pronounced against my husband could debar my right, yet the Leith Commissioners say they have no power to grant liferents to the wives of sequestered persons, nor even to discuss such matters, and refer me to you. Pray consider my deplorable condition, and restore my life rents. With reference thereon to Council. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

86. I. *Case of the Countess of Lauderdale, proving that by marriage contract in* 1632, *the rents were settled on the lady Anne Hume for life, and were not to fall to John Lord Maitland, her future spouse, nor to become forfeit by any default of his. This charter was not to husband and wife or the survivor, but first to the wife, and then to the husband.* [1¼ *pages.*]

March 16. Reference thereon by Council to the Commissioners for Scotland, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 169.]

March 16. **87.** Petition of Thos. Kendall, merchant, to the Protector, Last December I freighted the St. Lewis, belonging to Capt. Rob. Michael of Dieppe, for Barbadoes, by leave of the governor. It was twice in danger of being taken, once by the Dutch, and once by a privateer of Charles Stuart, but Michael would rather sink than yield, and by his courage and faithfulness, preserved the goods. He has also, from affection to this nation and the Protestant religion, often helped the English in Barbadoes, yet his ship in returning was taken by Capt. Bourne, and brought into Portsmouth. I beg release for the ship and goods, which will encourage well wishers to this nation. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

87. I. *Certificate of Tho. Briggs and* 5 *others of Barbadoes to the kindness shown by Michael to the English there, particularly in defending an English vessel on the coast when set upon by a French man-of-war; also that he is a Protestant and deserves favour in England.* 1 *March* 1653–4. [1 *page.*]

March 16. **88.** Reference thereon to Maj.-Gen. Lambert, Sir Gilb. Pickering, Col. Jones, and Col. Mackworth, to report. [½ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 170.]

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1. The consideration of the Act for the relief of creditors and poor prisoners, and the observations made thereupon referred to the Commissioners named by the Protector to consider the regulation of the law.

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2. The Mews, with all the lodgings, rooms and stables there, other than the barn now used for the horseguard, to be cleared for the Protector's use; Mr. Embree, the surveyor, to see that the stables be cleared forthwith, and the rooms and lodgings within a fortnight; and also to take the several keys of the stables, rooms, and lodgings, and deliver them to Mr. Cleypoole.

3. An Ordinance reported by Lambert from the Committee, for an imposition of 4*d.* Scottish upon every Scottish pint of ale and beer in Edinburgh, amended, read, and agreed to. Approved 23 March. Also an Ordinance for the disposition of the confiscated lands in Scotland.

4. The house at Hampton Court, with the park, and all the lodges, stables, and outhouses, and the houses in the park to be forthwith cleared for the Protector's use, and Mr. Embree to see this put in speedy execution. All persons concerned to take notice and conform.

5. The petition of Dan. Hutchinson, Alderman of Dublin, committed to Lambert, Wolsley, Lisle, Jones, and Rous, to report.

6. Order on petition of the inhabitants of North Bradley, co. Wilts, that Wm. Crabbe have liberty to preach in the public meeting place or parish church of North Bradley at 4 p.m. every Sunday, and on any other week day; all persons concerned to let him do it without disturbance.

7. Order on Col. Jones' report from the Mint Committee, that the several petitions and proposals concerning farthings be laid aside.

9. **89.** Order on report from the Admiralty Judges, and 2 certificates concerning bales of linen, and bags of wheat laden on the 3 Kings of Hamburg at St. Malo, France, by Hen. Wilkins and John Denholmes for Spain, but the ship was taken by the Sapphire, and employed in the service,—that the Admiralty Judges determine the case. Approved 23 March. *Annexing,*

89. I., *Report of the Admiralty Judges alluded to, showing that the ship, being with 7 other French ships, was taken in fight by the Sapphire, at which she shot by order of the French Admiral, who threatened else to sink the ship, but purposely shot too low to hurt her.* 24 *Jan.* 1653–4. [3 *pages.*]

89. II. *Certificate by Wm. Lockhart and 3 others, that Wilkins and Denholmes are Scotchmen born, but have lived abroad during the late troubles, and not acted against the State. London,* 12 *Jan.* 1653–4. [⅔ *page.*]

89. III. *Like certificate by Ninian Williamson and 9 other merchants of London.* 16 *Jan.* 1653–4. [¾ *page.*]

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89. IV. *C. Harvey to Mr. Jessop. His Highness wishes you to refer to Council a report lying in your hands about a ship brought in prize to Plymouth, in which Wilkins and Denholme, merchants of Edinborough, had some goods. Cockpit,* 7 *March* 1653–4. [½ *page.*]

March 16. 10. Col. Mackworth's report from the Committee on the petition of Richard Child, master of the Peace of London, and of Wm. Fishman, part owner, master, and pilot, for themselves and the mariners, referred to the Admiralty Judges, to hear the matter in difference, and to decide quickly what part of the ship belongs to the petitioners, and give order for their receipt thereof.

12. Col. Jones' report from the Committee on Col. John Carter's petition referred to the Army Committee, to appoint fit persons, and by such rules as they shall direct, to examine and state Carter's account of disbursements about Conway garrison, and on the return of the account, to report. *Annexing,*

90. I. *Report alluded to.* 14 *March* 1653–4. [1 *page.*]

13. The petition of Capt. Peter Backhouse committed to Pickering, Cooper, Mackworth, Strickland, Wolsley, and Mackworth, to report.

16. Order on report from the Committee on Capt. Thos. Sydenham's petition, that 600*l.* should be ordered him in full of all demands, to be settled where it shall not be burdensome on the Treasuries, and that the Revenue Committee should give him such employment as he is most capable of—that the former Committee consider where the 600*l.* can be best charged, and recommend him to the Revenue Committee.

17. The Committee that brought in the late Ordinance for approbation of preachers to prepare an Ordinance for conveniently settling such donatives as are not provided for in the late Ordinance.

18. The duplicate of a letter, dated Feb. 17 last, to the Commissioners for disposing the proceeds of Lichfield Cathedral, signed and directed to them.

22. Order on Lambert's report from the Committee on Col. John Hewson's petition, that for his arrears of pay for service under the Earls of Essex and Manchester, and Lord Fairfax, and for satisfaction of the debentures mentioned in the said report, he be allowed 2,134*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.*, and that the same Committee consider the best means of payment thereof, and report. Approved 23 March. *Annexing,*

91. I. *Report of the said Commissioners alluded to.* 14 *March* 1653–4. [⅔ *page.*]

91. II. *Report that the money had best be charged on the Prize Office for payment.* 22 *March* 1653–4 [½ *page.*]

91. III. IV. *Two sheets of draft notes relating thereto.* [½ *page and* 1 *page.*]

23. Order on report from the Committee on Col. John Lilburne's

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papers and examinations, that he be removed from the Tower to the Isle of Jersey, and confined in the Castle of Orgueil. Approved 23 March. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 167–171.]

March 16. **92, 93.** Report to the Protector on several references on petitions of John Edisbury and Rees Vaughan, about the office of prothonotary in cos. Montgomery and Denbigh. Henry VIII. appointed 4 prothonotaries for Wales, one of whom was to serve for those counties and Flint, and a reversion of the office was granted 11 Charles to Kenrith Eyton, and 12 Charles to Rich. Lloyd and John Edisbury, in reversion after Eyton and Sir Peter Mutton. Eyton forfeited his interest in the office in 1643 by delinquency, and in March 1646, Parliament granted it to John Glynn, recorder of London, taking no note of the reversion. But as no member of the House was to receive any profit of offices, and as Rich. Lloyd, the copatentee was also a delinquent, Edisbury was admitted to the office in 1647 by Serjeant Bradshaw, Chief Justice of Chester, and held it till 1653, when on 29 June he was suspended by Council, and Rees Vaughan admitted. By orders of 27 July, and 10, and 18 August 1653, Vaughan is established in office, and ordered to have the books, and articles against Edisbury were referred to the Indemnity Committee; last assizes Vaughan was sworn in, but there is as yet no judgment on the articles against Edisbury.

We think that, Vaughan's objections notwithstanding, the grant to Lloyd and Edisbury is good, there being no negative words in Hen. VIII.'s grant against two prothonotaries. This was ruled by the Judges in the case of Goodman, prothonotary in North Wales and the grant being *conjunctim et divisim,* Edisbury should hold it alone, as Lloyd is a delinquent, the rather that by order of 25 Dec 1643, all offices of those going to the King were pronounced void as i they were dead. The grant to Glynn proves that the office wa deemed void by delinquency. Edisbury, having a patent, should no have been removed without legal proceeding, and therefore shoul be restored by order of Council. If he is or should be disabled b delinquency, your Highness can dispose of the office by a gran under the great seal. [4¼ *pages,* 2 *papers.*]

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94. Commissioners for sick and wounded to the Admiralt Committee. We find that Edw. Hayward, of Chatham, charg himself with 550*l.* receipt, which agrees with the Navy Con missioners' certificate, and has disbursed 539*l.* 6*s.*, 436*l.* 1*s.* which is for diet not exceeding 1*s.* a day per man, and 81*l.* 1 for doctors and apothecaries; the rest for nurses, fire and cand shirts, and bringing the sick on shore. He should have 2*s.* a d for 302 days, and 5*l.* towards travelling charges divers times London. Thos. Whitton of Rochester should have 3*s.* a day, it was his whole employment, and 5*l.* travelling charges; to 603*l.* 4*s.* [1 *page.*]

March 16. **95.** Order in the Admiralty Committee for payment of the s sum by the Navy Commissioners. [1 *page.*]

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March 16. **96.** Statement by Mary White, of Lyme Regis, co. Dorset, widow and administratrix of Rich. White, merchant, of Axminster, co. Devon, of 97*l.* 16*s.*, besides interest, due for goods of his taken at sea by a man-of-war, and employed on Parliament service, the debt being acknowledged as just by the Navy Committee. With order of the Lords and Commons in Parliament for payment from the Customs and Excise of 7,375*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.* to 24 merchants named, for goods taken at sea by authority of Parliament, including 97*l.* 16*s.* to Rich. White. [1 *sheet torn.*] *Annexing,*

96. I. *Duplicate of the above order in Parliament.* [1 *sheet.*]

March 17. Ordinance by the Protector and Council for continuing the Excise at rates specified, from 25 March 1654, and continuing all Acts and Orders of Parliament about Excise made before 1 March 1653–4, but naming Ald. Thos. Allen, Thos. Wood, Rich. Bury, Geo. Langham, and Geo. Foxcraft as Commissioners of Excise, to act under directions of his Highness and Council, receiving 2*d.* in 20*s.* for their salary.

Sir Wm. Roberts and 5 others appointed Commissioners to receive appeals, collect arrears, sequester on refusal to pay, order allowances to officers, and devise means for improving the Excise, and relieve and indemnify the former, present, and future Commissioners of Excise, in executing their office.

They are to appoint officers to seize, on the water or near the shore, goods landed contrary to the Excise laws, and to appoint gaugers for soap boilers and oil makers, who are to be permitted entrance on demand, under a penalty of 50*s.* [*Excise Acts' Collection, pp.* 109–127, *Vol.* 98, *June* 1655.]

March 17. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The money payable in full for Lord Ireton's tomb to be 52*l.* 10*s.*, and the order of March 13 amended.

2. Order on report of the account of Nicholas Bond, steward for entertainment of the Ambassadors from the United Provinces, that the disbursements exceeding the 300*l.* received by 87*l.* 6*s.* 11¼*d.*, that the auditors of imprest examine the account and report.

3. That the said sum be paid him by Mr. Frost.

4. That he pay therefrom 5*l.* to several persons who attended the Ambassadors.

5. Also to persons named in a paper presented to Council the sums therein mentioned, in all 48*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.*, they being servants at the entertainment.

8. The petition of the Colonel and officers of the foot brigade in co. Chester, for the Battle of Worcester, referred to Lambert, Jones, Sydenham and Mackworth, to report.

9. Mr. Scutt to have the door of the little room on the east side of the Council chamber nailed up.

10. A letter from Col. Robt. Lilburne, dated Dalkeith, March 11, referred to Jones, Lambert, and Wolsley, to find out the best way for paying for the services mentioned, and to attend the Protector thereon.

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11. Major-Gen. Lambert to confer with the Protector about the affairs of Scotland.

12. The Generals of the Fleet empowered to dispose of all such prisoners taken at sea, not English, Scotch, or Irish, as are at Portsmouth, Exeter, or any western port. Approved 23 March.

13. The Lord President reporting the Protector's consent to an Ordinance passed for Excise, it is put to the question, passed for law, and ordered to be printed and published.

14. An Ordinance to make void patents and writs for places of judicature in the old style read, and committed to Lambert, Jones, and Cooper to advise with counsel, and report.

16. **97.** Order, on information that George Agenor, master of the Return of Dartmouth, has brought from Alicant 5 great guns, part of those saved out of Prince Rupert's ships, and recovered by Alexr. Bence, merchant of Alicant, by contract with whom he was to receive 30*l.* for their freight—that the Admiralty Committee examine the contract, and order the money due to Agenor to be paid. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 171-4.]

March 17.
Newcastle.

98. Thos. Ledgard to Council. On 23 Feb. last, you ordered me to pay 4,299*l.* 6*s.* 3*d.* due to Sir John Trevor, and other lessees of the coal farm at Newcastle, on bills of exchange, charged by me on the late Army Committee in 1649. I reply that in 1648 and 1649 I received from the lessees 7,000*l.*, and gave my bills therefor, and in 4 years heard nothing of their non-payment, nor have any bill been returned to me, as is usual in case of non-payment. I gave in my accounts to the Committee for Accounts, and by their orde have paid in my balance to the Treasury. I beg that the bills s charged by me may be delivered to me, lest I should suffer, afte having faithfully accounted. [1 *page.*]

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99. Statement of a legal case. A. is found an idiot, and the Kin has custody of his body and lands. He dies, B. is found his nex heir, and sues for livery of his lands. The King refuses, and grant the land to C, who, to strengthen his title, levies a fine, and 5 yea pass without any claim made by B. *Query,* whether this fine an non-claim bar B. and his heirs or not.

Answer by John Bramston [late chief justice of King's Bench that it does not, as the King's grant is void in law, he having n estate to grant, and the freehold being reserved to B. The fine ca be no bar, because the parties to the fine had nothing in the la when it was levied. The possession being in the King, B. cann claim, but must sue for an "*ouster la main*" to have the la delivered to him. Also answer by John Latche to like effe [1½ *pages.*]

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Chatham.

100. Comr. Peter Pett to the Admiralty Committee. I received 9 last night a letter unsigned, which I suppose to be from you, a have been busy ever since, sending 3 vessels, one to ply to and fr Harwich, one to examine all vessels about Minehead and Que borough, and a third about the Isle of Sheppey and Faversh

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Mr. Arkinstall, the Master Attendant, has taken this charge. I have given 3 commissions with a charge of secrecy. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *pages.*]

March 17. Victualling Office. **101.** Thos. Alderne and D. Gauden, Navy Victuallers, to the Admiralty Committee. We hear from our partner at Portsmouth that the expense of the fleet is very great; that there will not be sufficient victuals for 500 men for 6 months in the stores, after the Sovereign is supplied out of that ordered for the 5,700 men for 6 months, and that there is a great scarcity of water at Portsmouth for brewing, on account of the drought. We hear of orders for a further supply, but have not received them. Two victualling ships will be ready next week to take in beer. We beg directions; we think the Wildman, King David, and Adam and Eve, may be fitted out as victuallers to carry provisions to the fleet. [1 *page.*]

March 17. Prize Office. **102.** Prize Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. The Navy Commissioners have presented us bills for very large sums as gratuities to persons for the loss of their relatives in the service; they are payable out of the tenths of prizes by order of Parliament, but we have already expended 7,000*l.* more than we have received on account of tenths, and therefore beg orders. [1 *page.*]

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March 18. **1.** Admiralty Judges to Council. The plunder done in the Mary of St. Malo in silver, &c. is very great. In the Sarah, rescued by the Falmouth, the takers took but 5*l.* or 6*l.*, but the rescuers took 500*l.* Of this $\frac{1}{8}$ is by the Act awarded to the State, and the rest, which by this plunder is likely to be lost, should be restored to the English owners. In other cases, the takers suppress the evidence of the ships' company and papers, so that the evidence is lame, and the Court proceeds slowly. It is true these things are criminal, but we cannot, for fear of disturbance of the public service, attach captains of the State's ships. We therefore beg you to take order that plunder is forborne in State's ships, and that the evidence sent into court is complete, when we will do speedy justice.

As to the Fortune of Stralsund, bound for Bremen, we were obliged to order her restitution, both ports being free, but Capt. Smith, of the Advice, who took her, has suppressed the bills of lading and passports, and the master swears that he plundered her to the value of 426*l.* We should have proceeded against Smith, had he not been in the State's service. We send the depositions. [2$\frac{3}{4}$ *pages.*]

Annexing,

1. I. *Note of 5 ships taken or retaken by ships in the service, in which plunder had been committed, and the evidence withheld.* [1$\frac{3}{4}$ *pages.*]

March 18. Swiftsure, Ellen's Road. **2.** Gens. Blake and Penn to the Admiralty Committee. We have taken men out of the Martin, Merlin, Drake, and Nonsuch, to man the Sovereign, and sent the 3 latter back to their stations, leaving the Martin to ply about Lundy, for securing trade between

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the Welsh and Irish coast, which we hear by Gen. Monck is infested with Brest pirates. We are glad to hear that the treaty with the Dutch is likely to produce its desired end, but our endeavours shall not be slackened to equip the fleet here for all emergencies.

Beach (the pirate) being taken by the Constant Warwick and brought into Plymouth, there will be no large ships to deal with. We therefore think the Portsmouth, with the Royal James, wherein Beach was taken, may be ordered to the fleet. We recommend Jno. Pack, Thos. Clemens, Thos. Swan, and Lieut. Thos. May for appointments in the new frigates. [1 *page.*]

March 19. **3.** Gen. Wm. Penn to Col. Kelsey. I second Vice Admiral Lawson's desires for putting an end to the suit in Romney Court, wherein you are a judge, between Lieut. Dale and Mr. Winall, at the next sitting. I have provided for the chaplain you recommended me. Capt. Vesey left his steward, whom you wrote about, behind at Dover, and will ply off Lundy; all the other small vessels are ordered back to their former stations. [1 *page, holograph.*]

March 20. Whitehall. **4.** Petition of the traders in cotton wool, and fustians, Lancashire, to Council, to prevent the ruin of the great manufacture of fustians, and of the makers and weavers. We petitioned the Protector for leave to bring in cotton, and were referred to you, and we prevailed on Wm. Kiffin to buy us 68 sacks, not doubting to obtain our desires; but on account of weighty affairs, our case has not been considered, and the wools, having come from Dunkirk, are seized in the Thames, while the poor are unemployed for want of them. We beg an order for taking off the seizure and bringing in the wool. Signed by Thos. Salmon and 5 others. With reference thereon to the Customs' Commissioners to certify the quantity of wool seized, and their report, 22 March, that it is 12 bags, about 111 cwt. [1 *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 176.]

March 20. **5.** Petition of Luke Ivory, John Allen, and Jas. Stile, in behalf of cos. Surrey, Middlesex, Cambridge, and Northampton, to the Protector. In Jan. 1651-2, an Act was passed for the payment of the poor people in several counties who lent sums not exceeding 10*l.* on the public faith, and out of 10,000*l.* appointed therefor, 9,400*l.* was issued by the then treasurers-at-war. Petitioned the Commissioners for Public Frauds and Debts for the remaining 600*l.* on behalf of 4 great suffering counties, which had not their proportion, and Col. [Rob.] Castell was to report it to the House, but business prevented. Beg an order for the said 600*l.* With reference thereon to Council; Aldermen Andrews and Allen to be consulted for the relief of petitioners. Signed: Oliver P. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

5. I. *Address by John Allen requesting the Protector to be an instrument of relief to many poor, and to preserve them from wicked and bloodthirsty men, whose tender mercies are cruelty, &c.* [*Scrap.*]

5. II. *Order at the Committee for public debts on a like petition of Ivory and Allen,—for payment of the* 600*l. in sums of* 200*l. each to cos. Middlesex and Cambridge, and* 100*l.*

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each to Northamptonand Surrey,—that Col. Castell report the case to Parliament.—21 *Sept.* 1653. [*Copy*, 1 *page.*]

March 20. **6.** Petition of Edw. Edmonds, and several poor inhabitants in London within the lines of communication, to the Protector. By Parliament Ordinance of 3 June 1647 for raising 42,000*l.*, 30,000*l.* of it was to pay sums not exceeding 10*l.* contributed in money, plate, or horse in 1642, by the poor, who were not able to double it. By Ordinance of 25 Nov. 1647, 900*l.*, then at Weavers' Hall, part of the 42,000*l.* was to be paid to Greenhill and Pocock, and repaid out of the first moneys of the 10,000*l.* charged on Goldsmiths' Hall, and assigned to the relief of the poor; 9,100*l.*, part of the 10,000*l.*, was paid by the Treasurers of Goldsmiths' Hall to the Treasurers for maimed soldiers, and the remaining 900*l.* is to be repaid to Weavers' Hall. Beg an order to the Committee for Compounding to warrant the Treasurers of Goldsmiths' Hall to pay it to Rich. Glyde and Col. Lawrence Bromfield, treasurers for the 42,000*l.*, to be issued according to the said Ordinance. With reference thereon to Council. [1 *page, signed.*]

6. I. *Note that on* 25 *Nov.* 1647, *Parliament ordered* 900*l. remaining at Weavers' Hall, part of* 42,000*l. to be borrowed and repaid out of the first* 10,000*l. charged on Goldsmiths' Hall; and that on* 16 *Oct.* 1649, *an order was obtained for its payment to Mr. Johns, for Col. Sanderson's list, but that the original petition and address must be found, to prove whether that was the same* 900*l.* [*Draft*, 1 *page.*]

March 20. Reference in Council on the 2 preceding petitions to Pickering, Montague, Jones, Wolseley, and Mackworth, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 176.]

March 20. **7.** Order in the Committee to which the two petitions are referred, that Ald. Andrews and Allen attend on Wednesday about the 600*l.* unpaid, and that the Committee for Compounding also attend about the 900*l.* alleged. [*Draft*, 1 *page.*]

[March 20.] Whitehall. **8.** Petition of Lieut. Rich. Wynn to the Protector, for a speedy supply of stores for Cornet Castle, Guernsey. With reference, 3 March 1653–4 to Council. [⅔ *page.*] *Annexing,*

8. I. *List of the ordnance stores required.* [1 *page.*]

March 20. **9.** Reference thereon in Council to the Admiralty Committee. [½ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 176.]

March 20. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Cooper, Strickland, and Sydenham to treat with Mr. Woodward, who bought St. James' Fields of the Trustees for sale of the late King's lands, in order to the redemption thereof on equal terms. *Annexing,*

10. I. *Account of Woodward's purchase of the said fields; total sum,* 1,842*l.* 15*s.* 10*d.*, *from which* 96*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, *yearly value of the fair, was reprized to him, leaving* 1,746*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.*, *of which* ½ *was paid in money, and* ½ *in bills, bought at* 5*s. a pound.* [⅔ *page.*]

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3. Approval by the Protector of 6 Ordinances, which being : rally put to the question, were passed, and ordered to be pri and published, except that for the salary of the judges.

4, 6. Mr. Secretary reports his Highness' approval of the Ordin for Commissioners for approbation of preachers, with some am ments, which being read, were agreed to. Sam. Bamforth and I Cresset added to the Commissioners. Approved, and to be pri and published.

5. An Ordinance appointing a chief justice and an assis justice for cos. Chester, Flint, Denbigh, and Montgomery, r and agreed to. Approved 20 March.

7. The amended Ordinance for better repairing the highways, ı and agreed to. Approved 31 March.

8. The draft of an Ordinance for the more equal apportionin the assistants in co. Wilts returned to the Committee of Cou to whom it was referred, to consider how to rate taxes, and report.

11. Roger Jennyns and John Brice added to the establishm for under clerks to attend Council, and to be allowed the salar one of the rest of the clerks between them.

13. The supernumeraries lately raised and added to the und written regiments of foot, *i.e.*, the Protector's own regiment fr 700 to 1,200, and Cols. Ingoldsby, Pride, Goffe, and Sir Wm. C stable's regiments from 700 to 1,000, to be continued for 14 da from 20 March, to which time the order of Feb. 17 last extend and the Army Committee to issue warrants for their payme Approved 23 March.

14. Mr. Strickland to give directions for the entertainment M. Bourdeaux, the French Ambassador, and to take order wi Fleming to have Sir Abr. Williams' house prepared.

15. Nich. Bond to be steward for ordering his diet while he is the charge of the State. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 174–177.]

March 20.
Whitehall.

President Lawrence to the Judges of Assize for Surrey. Justi Newdigate has sent Sec. Thurloe a letter from Ann Curteine to hi and an examination of 18 March, which being read in Council, th return them to you, to proceed according to law. [*I.* 75, *p.* 175.]

March 20.

Ordinance appointing Fras. Rous, Dr. Thos. Goodwin, D John Owen, and 35 others, Commissioners to examine and appro all who, after 25 March are appointed to any benefice with cu of souls or lectureship, as to holy conversation, knowledge, an utterance, and none are to be admitted without their approva signified by an instrument in writing under their common seal.

No person to be negatived unless 9 or more Commissioners b present. All patrons of benefices to present within 6 months afte vacancy, or the presentation to lapse to the Protector, unless notic be given of a contest for recovery of the right of presentatio During the vacancy by reason of such suit, the Commissioner are to sequester the profits, and supply the place with an abl preacher.

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All persons appointed to benefices or lectureships since 1 April last to obtain approbation of the Commissioners before 24 June, on pain of dismissal, and if a new appointment be not made within 2 months, the presentation for that turn to lapse to the Protector.

For satisfaction of the Commissioners, all candidates to present certificates signed by 3 persons of known godliness, one of them to be a minister, which certificates are to be filed. The penalties for not reading and subscribing the articles of the Act of 13 Eliz., entitled Reformation of Disorders in the Ministers of the Church, made void.

All who claim augmentations of livings granted by authority of Parliament are to obtain the approbation of these Commissioners, but this is not to extend to ecclesiastical dignities suppressed by Parliament, nor to benefices not presentative before the Ordinance for suppression of bishops, nor to lectures in the Universities.

This approbation is not to be construed into a setting apart of any person for the ministry, but only by trial to see that destitute places be supplied with faithful preachers.

With order that this Ordinance be printed and published. [*Record Office Library*, 498 *F.*, *Collection of Acts*, *Vol.* 1, *No.* 71.]

March 20. **11.** Proposal by Thos. Horth for the distribution of the several Greenland vessels to the several harbours. With note that some of the Hull men refuse to consort, and thus some harbours will be unfished, and insecure, and the State not well supplied. [1 *page.*]

March 20. Admiralty Chamber. **12.** Admiralty Committee to Commissary-Gen. Whalley and Scout-master-General Downing. It appears by the enclosed that Martin Peale, of Southampton, with his son and assistant, has been at much pains and charge in attending on sick and wounded Dutch prisoners there, for which 106*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.* is allowed him. We commend him to you for payment. [⅔ *page.*] *Annexing,*

12. I. *Commissioners for Sick and Wounded to the Admiralty Committee. We have perused the accounts of Martin Peale, surgeon of Southampton, and are certified by Mr. Belchamber, agent for the Prize Commissioners, that he attended* 47 *sick and wounded Dutch from* 20 *May to* 16 *Nov. last; but we can only obtain his accounts as stated by himself, for the infection was such that all shunned his company, and he lost his wife and two assistants by the contagion. We advise a bill for* 106*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.* *to be given him by the Commissioners for Prize Goods, for his own wages at* 4*s.* *a day, his son and an assistant,* 2*s.*, *and disbursements and travelling charges. Little Britain,* 18 *March* 1653-4. [1 *page.*]

March 20. Gloucester. **13.** Major John Wade to Col. [illegible]no. Clerke, Admiralty Commissioner, Whitehall. I received a letter [illegible]or Thos. Shewell, of Bristol, to pay me 1,000*l.* towards carrying on the casting in Dean Forest, but it would save trouble and expense if I might receive it from the general receiver of Gloucester. I carry on the business with great honesty and frugality. I desire order for the disposal of 50 tons of shot,

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and direction whether I am to cast ordnance for the two ships building at Bristol by Mr. Bayley, or whether he will prevail with you to get your great guns at Bristol, as he has prevailed with you to buy his timber, a tree here and there, to the amazement of rational men, while plenty in the forest is decaying.

Two days after I got the order to preserve Whitmeade Park, some gallants came down to dispose of it, but I cooled their courage by producing the order. The spoil carried on daily in the forest makes my blood boil. [1 *page.*]

[March 21.] **14.** Petition of Jas. Godschall, merchant of London, to the Protector. The Gift of God of Dieppe had a pass, 14 March 1653, from Hull to Nantes, yet was seized and brought into Plymouth by Capt. Hen. Greene, employed by Capt. Ben. Crandly; but being discharged by order of the Council of State of 1 June, she arrived at Nantes. By untrue suggestions Capt. Crandly obtained an order, 29 Nov., referring the case to the Admiralty Court, if there be any proof of contraband goods, and making the parties to whom the ship was restored liable for the value of what is recovered there. This order is said by counsel to be unlawful, as nothing can be judged in the Admiralty Court that is not in possession or on security. Begs therefore that it may be made void, and he allowed the benefit of the other orders. With reference thereon to Council, 3 March 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

14. I. *Pass and orders of the Council of State alluded to.—* 14 *March,* 1 *June, and* 29 *Nov.* 1653. [*Copies,* 1 *page.*]

14. II. *Deposition by Godschall that the vessel took in no contraband goods, contrary to the license of Council.* 6 *March* 1653–4. [3 *pages.*]

March 21. **15.** Reference thereon to Col. Mackworth, Col. Jones, and Sir Chas. Wolsley, to consult with Dr. Walker, and report. [⅔ *pages. I.* 75, *p.* 178.]

15. I. *Order by the said Committee that Capts. Benj. Crandley and Limbery attend them on Wednesday.* 31 *March* 1654. [⅔ *page.*]

15. II. *Draft of the said order.* 31 *March* 1654. [½ *page.*]

15. III. *Report of the said Committee that the said cause should be proceeded upon in the Admiralty Court, according to law.* [1 *page. Draft.*]

March 21. **16.** Petition of John Shaw, master of the Waterlap of Waterford, to the Protector. I was hired by Major Geo. Walters to transport soldiers to St. Sebastian's in Biscay, for the King of Spain's service, and delivered 440, expecting payment according to contract, but the Baron de Battevilla, captain-general of the province, ordered me to take the soldiers back, and carry them to Bordeaux or Corunna. I refused, because mine was a merchant ship, going to Malaga for wines and fruits at the vintage, whereupon

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the baron took my ship and imprisoned me, to a loss to me and my owners of 2,500*l.* I beg, as this is a national business, and if such affronts are let slip, the English can hardly trade there, either that my case be recommended to the King of Spain, or that I have letters of marque. With reference thereon, 1 Feb. 1653–4, to the Committee for Foreign Affairs, and 2 Feb. to Council. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

16. I. II. *Certificates by Sam. Creeswick and 5 other English merchants resident in St. Sebastian's, to the truth of the petition, given because all the public notaries refuse to make any protest against the King's ministers.* 27 *Oct.* 1653. [1 *page.*]

March 21. Reference thereon in Council to Strickland, Major, and Mackworth. [*I.* 75, *p.* 179.] *Annexing,*

17. I. *Council to Don Flento de Cardenas, Spanish ambassador, representing the above case, and requesting his interposition, that Shaw and the other owners may have justice.* 3 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

[March 21.] **18.** Abstract of Sir Edw. Baynton's petition. That in 1644 and 1645 his houses at Bromham and Bremhill were burned by the late King's soldiers, and his evidences destroyed. That the lands in question, claimed as the late Bishop of Sarum's, have long been in possession of his ancestors, and that Parliament therefore refused to expose them to sale, and so the sale to Rob. Henley is contrary to order. That his petition was depending when Parliament was dissolved.

Though he cannot make out his title to the lands, they are mixed without boundary with his other lands, and he asks whether they should be taken from him, because he lost his evidences for his love to the service. [1½ *pages.*] *Annexing,*

18. I. *Order in Parliament—on request of the contractors for Bishops' lands that Sir Edw. Baynton be made to show his title to Bishop's Cannings' manor,—that only the uncontroverted portion be contracted for, and that the Committee inquire further as to the lands in controversy.* 29 *Aug.* 1648. [1⅓ *pages.*]

18. II. *Deposition by John Hazell, shepherd, of Bishop's Cannings, that the downs in question, from which in July* 1644 *the King's horsemen drove* 644 *sheep, value* 600*l.*, *to Oxford garrison, belonged to Sir Edw. Baynton, and had been, as he is informed, many hundred years in possession of Sir Edward's ancestors.* 6 *July* 1652. [1 *page.*]

18. III. *Order in Parliament referring Sir Edward's petition to Sir P. Wentworth and* 25 *others.* 19 *April* 1653. [1 *page.*]

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March 21. Reference in Council of the preceding petition to Cooper, Strickland, and Mackworth, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 179.]

March 21. **19.** Petition of Mary Gargrave to the Protector. Was 17 years maid of honour to Queen Anne, spending her whole fortune without benefit, whereupon King James gave her a pension of 200*l.* a year at the Queen's death, which she received till 1640; since then has not received as much as would keep her alive without running into such debt that she dares not appear but by stealth, for fear of imprisonment, and is in age and extreme want. With reference to Council to consider this, with the rest of the like nature, and give her due relief, 3 March 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*]

March 21. Order thereon that Thos. Fauconberg, receiver-general, pay her 20*l.* in lieu of all demands. Approved 23 March. [*I.* 75, *p.* 179.]

March 21. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mr. Strickland and Col. Jones to bring in to-morrow the paper by them prepared as a model for the Protector's family.

3. Order, on report in the case of Capt. Jos. Smith, that above the yearly pension of 20*s.* a week, ordered him on 13 March, and continued from the Treasury at Ely House, there shall be paid him by John Bracey, treasurer for maimed soldiers at Ely House, 150*l.* for his arrears of pension from May 9, 1651, any orders to the contrary notwithstanding. Approved 23 March.

5. Order, on petition of Sam. Hartlib, that the 75*l.* alleged to be due to him, in arrear of the 200*l.* a year granted him by several Acts of Parliament, be paid him out of the treasuries upon which it was charged, viz., 50*l.* by Thos. Fauconbridge on the augmentation granted to Pembroke Hall, Oxford, for half a year ending last Christmas, and 25*l.* by Rich. Sherwin and John Leech, treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall. The other part of the petition referred to Montague and Rous, to report. Approved 23 March.

6. The report and papers concerning the Duchess of Hamilton's claim referred to Cooper, Jones, Strickland, Lambert, and Pickering, to report.

10. A report from the Admiralty Commissioners in the case of Geo. Pickering, dated March 11, referred back to them, to consider a certificate from George Rawdon of March 20, and report how far it may induce an order for Pickering's present relief.

12. **20.** The Admiralty Commissioners to appoint a convenient ship at Portsmouth to transport some person [Lieut.-Col. Lilburne] to Jersey, on a special direction of Council.

13. The petition of some ancient gunners of the Tower that held their places by patent to be considered to-morrow.

14. M. de Bourdeaux to be allowed a diet of 50 dishes for first and second course, and 30 dishes of fruit and sweetmeats each meal, and also a convenient allowance for the tables of his attendants.

15. To be entertained 7 meals, and 300*l.* to be paid immediately to Mr. Bond to provide against his coming, and he to account for it to Council.

16, 17. Twelve of the Council's messengers to carry up the meat and wait at his table. Mr. Bond to provide plate for his table. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 177–180.]

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March 21. **21.** Warrant by the Commissioners for inspecting the Treasury to the Treasurers for sale of Delinquents' Lands to pay 1,723*l.* 12*s.* 3½*d.* to Rich. Hutchinson, Navy Treasurer, to be issued on warrants from the Admiralty Commissioners. [1 *page.*]

March 21. **22.** Note that Mr. Bagnall attended before the Admiralty Commissioners, and alleged that Mr. Leigh gave 555*l.* for Whitmead Park, and that Lord Pembroke paid 22*l.* 10*s.* rent on a lease for 27 years. That Bagnall and Bird sent Murford to contract with Leigh, and they gave mutual bonds for performance, and that the first payment of money to Leigh could not have been before 24 Feb. [*Damaged.*]

March 22. **23.** Petition of Elizabeth, widow of Michael How, to the Protector, for maintenance and relief. Her husband while valiantly serving on the Adventure was slain in the engagement with the Dutch, 2 June 1653, and she is left in a sad condition with two children, and has only received 8*l.*, which "goes but a little way to satisfy "the loss of a whole family's livelihood." With reference thereon to the Admiralty Commissioners. [1¼ *pp.*] *Annexing,*

23. I. *Certificate by Capt. Robt. Nixon and 4 other officers of the Adventure to the truth of the petition.* 27 *June* 1653. [1 *page.*]

March 22. **24.** Petition of Step. Sayers, porter at Whitehall, to the Protector, for satisfaction for disbursements and 8 years' service. I served 6 years as porter at Whitehall and 2 at Somerset House, ending in 1649, provided fire, candles, &c., spending 166*l.* I have also continued porter ever since at Whitehall, and though the late Council of State ordered the Revenue Commissioners to pay me, the late changes prevented my receiving more than 53*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.* With reference thereon to the Revenue Commissioners. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

24. I. *Sayers' bill for fire and candles,* 1642–49, 166*l.*; *wages at* 30*l. a year,* 240*l.*, *leaving balance due to him* 352*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* [1 *page.*]

24. II. *Certificates to his good conduct and service by Cor. Holland, Col. John Barkstead, Nich. Bond, Peter Sterry, and Hugh Peters.* [1 *page.*]

March 22. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The draft of an Ordinance for stating the accounts of Col. John Fiennes and his regiment referred to the Committee for Accounts.

3. Order on a report on Capt. Samson Towgood's petition, [*See* 8 *March suprâ*] that the Commissioners in Ireland be directed to allot him lands in full of his debt of 529*l* 19*s.* 3¾*d.*, considering his merit, and his disadvantage by going into Ireland. Approved 23 March.

4. The petition of Hugh Potter referred to Lisle, Mackworth, Cooper, and Wolsley, to report.

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5. The paper presented by Strickland and Jones, about a model of the Protector's family, referred to Lambert, Pickering, Lisle, Strickland, Jones, and Montague, who are to meet this afternoon, and report to-morrow morning; also to report concerning ordering the chapel at Whitehall.

7. Any 3 members of Council to peruse the petitions depending, and offer a short statement thereupon with their opinion.

10. The amendment of the Ordinance for relief of persons that have acted in the service of Parliament read, and agreed to.

11. Col. Mackworth reports an Ordinance for determining causes concerning delinquents' offices, which was twice read and re-committed to the Committee who brought it in. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 180–183.]

March 22. Whitehall. President Lawrence to Col. James Heane, Governor of Jersey. The Protector and Council have thought fit for the public peace to transfer Col. John Lilburne from the Tower to Castle Orgueil, in Jersey; you are therefore to receive and confine him within the compass of the castle, and to command some trusty person to keep a strict eye over him. [*I.* 75, *p.* 182.]

March 22. **25.** Order by the Protector on Mrs. Wenne's petition, that Wm. Carre and all others concerned pay her $\frac{1}{5}$ of her husband's livings, or certify why they do it not. [*Scrap.*]

March 22. **26.** Report of a Commission that the Court of the Verge was held before the steward and marshal of the King's household, in actions of debt where both parties, and of trespass where one party was of the household, and extended 12 miles round the King's Court wherever he removed. That Kings James and Charles settled the Court at Westminster, and gave it jurisdiction within 12 miles of the King's house, for all inhabiting the liberties of London, other corporations excepted, and it was usually held in Southwark, and called the Marshalsea Court. The Lord Mayor and Aldermen represent by the Recorder that this Court has caused many disturbances between the court of Southwark, held by the City, and the court of the Marshalsea, and that Parliament therefore voted a dissolution of the latter. The Committee submits it to Council as to whether they will revive the Court. [$1\frac{2}{3}$ *pp.*] *Annexing,*

26. I. *Petition of the inhabitants of Southwark to Parliament, that the weighty reasons for which they have lately suppressed the Knight Marshal's Court there, which was unnecessary, and a grievous oppression to the poor, may not be forgotten, nor the expectation of freedom from it destroyed. Were hoping further proceedings in a reformation of such things, but hear that some lawyers, for private lucre, have petitioned Parliament for restoration of the said Court. Complain that they are already*

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rendered more miserable than almost any other part of the nation, by their multitude and variety of Courts. [1 *page, with* 4 *sheets of original signatures.*]

March 22. Doctors' Commons. **27.** Dr. John Godolphin to Wm. Jessop, clerk of Council. I enclose a certificate from Plymouth, in behalf of Capt. Mills, one concerned in those papers now delivered you for Council, which please communicate, that the Captain may not suffer through concealment. This not being Court evidence, I send it you apart from the other papers. P.S.—If you can say anything more about the judges' salaries, pray tell the bearer. [1 *page.*]

March 23. **28.** Ordinance for relief of persons that have acted in Parliament's service. The powers of the Committee of Indemnity being ended, those who have acted for Parliament in times of danger have no redress. It is therefore ordered that all the rules of the Committee of Indemnity hold good in courts of law, and be construed beneficially to all who have served Parliament. If any have not had full relief, on certificate thereof, the Barons of Exchequer are empowered to act as the Committee of Indemnity might have done. Any verdicts at law given contrary thereto are not to be proceeded upon, and appeal allowed to the Barons, but the power of the former Committee not to be revived. With order in Council for its printing. Approved 23 March. [2⅔ *pages. Printed.*]

[March 23.] **29.** Petition of the executors of Capt. Rob. Maton, late Navy Commissioner, of Peter Pett, late master shipwright, Capt. Rich. Swanley, deceased (*sic*), and Thos. Turner, clerk to the Navy Commissioners, for themselves and the owners of the Constant Warwick, to the Protector, for an order for their satisfaction. Their vessel was employed 5 years ago by the Derby House Committee to transport money and provisions to Dublin garrison, and there stayed by the then governor, to secure that and other places which were in great danger, for which 734*l.* 17*s.* was ordered them by the Navy Committee but only 100*l.* paid, as more could not be paid without order of Parliament, which these many late revolutions and other weighty affairs have prevented; for want thereof, and of other sums due to them for freight, they have to borrow money on interest. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

29. I. *Certificate by Col. Mich. Jones, governor-in-chief of Leinster and Dublin, that he was compelled to stay Capt. Rob. Dare of the Constant Warwick, to ride in Dublin Bay for its defence. Dublin,* 29 *June,* 1648. *Endorsed with notes of calculations.* [⅔ *page.*]

29. II. *Certificate by Thos. Turner, and the owners of the said ship, that her hire and freight from* 10 *May to* 29 *June* 1648 *was* 734*l.* 17*s.* [1 *page.*]

29. III. *Order in the Navy Committee that the Navy Commissioners enquire if the ship has been employed as alleged, and if so, make out a bill of imprest for payment of*

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mariners' wages. With note that 100*l.* *was impressed thereon.* 13 *July* 1648. [1 *page.*]

29. IV, *Navy Commissioners to the Navy Committee. The ship was employed as stated, as few or none of the State's ships were on the Irish coast to preserve the interest of Parliament, and the money is justly due; but part of it being for freight, we cannot pay it.* 3 *Jan.* 1648–9. [*Copy,* 1 *page.*]

29. V. *Abstract of the case represented in the above petition and papers.* [½ *page, rough draft.*]

March 23. **30.** Note that in the Committee for Accounts and Public Debts at Worcester house, on the Act of 7 Oct. last, Robert Earl of Warwick, and the late owners of the Constant Warwick, claimed 2,989*l.* 7*s.* 1*d.* for freight when employed in Parliament service, also 734*l.* 17*s.* for employment on the coast of Ireland in 1648, of which sums $\frac{1}{16}$ is due to Wm. Jessop of Andrew's, Holborn, who claims it. [¾ *page.*] *Also*

31. Note that at the said Committee, Constance Jessop, late minister of Reading, and now of Wimborne, Wilts, claims 20*l.* lent by him in plate, gold rings, and money, on 20 Sept. 1642. [½ *page.*]

March 23. **32.** Petition of Mary Cole, widow, to the Protector, for relief. Her husband being tailor to James, late Duke of Hamilton, spent 576*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* in cloth, &c. for his servants' liveries from 1637 to 1642, which debt the Duke acknowledged 3 Feb. 1648–9, and desired Lord Belhaven, his trustee, to pay it soon, but since his execution, his estate has been seized to public uses. Is very poor, and much in debt, has many children, and is threatened with suits and imprisonment. Her husband died of sickness contracted in Parliament service. With reference thereon to Council, 22 March 1653–4. [1 *page.*]

March 23. **33.** Petition of Mary Cole to Council, for a day to be assigned when she may produce papers and witnesses to make good her petition which is referred to them, from whom she doubts not to receive satisfaction. [½ *page.*]

March 23. **34.** Petition of Wm. Kiffin and Co. of London, to the Protector. Last November freighted the St. John Baptist with corn for Bourdeaux, and had an order from the Council of State to go, and to return laden with wines for Scotland; was taken by a man-of-war and carried to Plymouth, and the lading much wasted. The goods being lately freed by the Admiralty Court, begs an order to unlade the wines in the port of London, on paying customs and excise. With reference thereon to Council. 22 March 1652. [1 *page.*]

March 23. Order thereon granting the petition. Approved 31 March. [*I.* 75, *p.* 184.]

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March 23. **35.** Petition of Major Rob. Huntingdon to the Protector. Parliament by a vote of 7 May 1650 put a stop to my arrears and accounts, and the late Parliament by their Act have ordered all claims of debts due from the State to be made before 25 March. I cannot come at my accounts nor make my claim without your order, the power being wholly in your hands, and you encouraged me to expect it. I beg your order to the Trustees and contractors for sale of the late King's lands, and the Commissioners of Accounts at Worcester House, to take off the obstruction on my arrears and accounts. With reference thereon to Council, 22 March 1653–4. [¾ *page.*]

March 23. Note in the Council of State that the petition was read, and on the question being put, was laid aside. [*I.* 75, *p.* 184.]

March 23. **36.** Petition of Major Jas. Pitson, Rich. Scotcher, Rich. Darnelly, and other undertakers for making the Wye in Surrey navigable, to the Protector. We were authorised by Act of Parliament to cut through private grounds, paying the owners as much as Commissioners appointed by Parliament should order. They valued some grounds of Lady Dirleton's, and we have several times tendered her the money, but she refuses it, throws down our works, and tries to involve us in law suits, wholly contemning the Act of Parliament, and others have been thereby encouraged to throw down the river banks. On 10 March last, she pulled down in the night a house which has been very useful to lay in the State's powder and saltpetre, of which 1,000*l.* worth was thus destroyed, and she had our servants beaten, and declared she would pull down the house again if we rebuilt it. We beg power to force her and others to obedience, and damages where our works are hindered or we molested by law suits. [1 *page.*]

March 23. Reference thereon in Council to Mackworth, Desborow, Lisle, Rous, and Cooper, to call for papers and witnesses, and report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 185.]

[March 23.] **37.** Petition of Elizabeth, Countess of Dirleton, to the Protector and Council. Major Pitson and others have obtained a grant to make the Wye at Guildford passable by boats, but with proviso not to make wharves on any person's lands without full agreement; yet they have entered on 9 acres of my land, close to my only dwelling-house, and intend to make a wharf and storehouses to lay powder, which will endanger the lives of my family, and compel me to forsake the house. They have imprisoned my servants who were on my land by my order, and refuse to give copies of their orders.

I am quite willing to allow them land as convenient for their wharf at a distance, and hope you will not allow my house to be destroyed to satisfy the will of one man, but refer the case to 2 of your Council, or the Commissioners of the Great Seal. [1 *sheet.*]

[March 23.] **38.** Copy of the above petition. [1 *page.*]

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March 23. **39.** Petition of Capt. Wm. Balthasar to Council. His case being referred by the late Council of State to the Admiralty Committee, they reported that he should be released on bail, and his papers and goods restored, and the Council of State ordered the same on 3 Dec. last, but by mistake the goods were not mentioned, and therefore they remain in the hands of Jasper Gill, merchant of Bristol, who will not release them. Begs an order for their discharge, being his whole estate. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

March 23. Order thereon that his goods, as well as his papers, be restored. [*I.* 73, *p.* 187.]

March 23. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Approval by the Protector of 3 Ordinances, all of which were passed, and one ordered to be printed.

2. An Ordinance for continuing the Admiralty Judges read the 1st and 2nd time, and agreed to.

4. Sir A. A. Cooper and Mr. Strickland to meet the French Ambassador, and accompany him to Sir Abraham Williams' house.

11. The salary allowed to Mr. Pell, mathematical lecturer, to be paid to his wife during his absence.

13. Approval by the Protector of 41 orders in Council, 27 Feb. to 22 March. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 183–186.]

March 23. Whitehall. Council to the sheriffs of counties. You will receive herewith printed copies of a declaration of the Protector for holding a fast in the several parts of this nation on Friday, April 7, which you are to transmit to the parishes within your jurisdiction, to the intent the tenor thereof may be performed. [*I.* 75, *p.* 185.]

March 23. Whitehall. Council to Capt. Lucas of the Society, Stokes Bay, or the commander of any vessel in the service commissioned by the generals of the fleet to attend there to observe Council's order. You are to receive on board Lieut.-Col. John Lilburne, with a guard appointed by the Lieutenant of the Tower to secure him, and as soon as wind and weather permit, transport him to Jersey, and deliver him to Col. Jas. Heane, governor.

After he has been secured there as directed by Council, you are to receive his guard on board, and return to Portsmouth, and there await the instructions of the Commander-in-chief. [*I.* 112, *p.* 18.]

March 23. **40.** List of 25 men offered by the respective interests to be on the Greenland Committee. Mr. Whitwell dissents from the Committee unless joined with others not interested in the trade, or that the numbers for each interest may be equal.

As to this year, the Committee are to receive the names of proposers by 1 April, and their security 5 days after, on pain of exclusion. The ships to be surveyed and appointed to their harbours on 15 April. The Committee to determine differences about particular harpooners; also to direct, before the ships go, whether the dividend

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is to be made in Greenland or on their return. The masters and overseers are to set forth on oath the quantities of oil and fins they have obtained.

Any English ship taking fish at sea may come into any harbour of Greenland to boil his oil, not fishing nor making disturbance. [3 *pages.*]

[March 23.] **41.** Note of instructions to the Committee to be chosen, to act impartially in assigning ships to their respective harbours. Those chosen for the ensuing year to be Sir W. Robert, Capt. Stone, Hen. Elsing, Capt. Baynes, Mr. Bennett, and Mr. Bochert, or any 4 of them. [*Draft,* 1 *page, imperfect.*]

March 23. The Swiftsure, Ellen's Road. **42.** John Poortmans to Robt. Blackborne. By yours of the 21st I perceive that the treaty of peace with the Dutch is now concluded, and hope the terms are for the good of the State and the interest of Christ. I will send a list of the fleet and of the warrant officers next week. The Dover has come in to be refitted. [1 *page.*]

March 23. Portsmouth. **43.** John Poortmans to Robt. Blackborne. I received yours with the printed news and desire a continuance. A Hamburg ship with two hoys and a pink has been brought in, and give some news of Rupert and Maurice which the Generals will send. Vice-Admiral Penn is ordered to send out 6 frigates named, now in the harbour. The Advice has been supplied with a lieutenant. [1 *page.*]

March 24. The Swiftsure, Ellen's Road. **44.** Gens. Blake and Penn to the Admiralty Committee. As to our calling off a frigate, if the peace is made, as you apprehend it be, we concur in her staying. We have ordered the Society for Guernsey, as you desire; the prize money received from the Tower is almost paid out, and yet many have had nothing. We desire 8,000*l.* more may be got ready.

We recommend Thos. Cowley, clerk of the check of the Diamond, as steward, and Mr. Seavern as boatswain. [1⅔ *pages, damaged.*]

March 28. **45, 46, 47.** Order in the Committee of Council on the petitions touching the river Wye, [*See* 23 March, *suprà*] that witnesses on behalf of Major Pitson and Lady Dirleton appear on 7 April, the several parties paying the charges of their witnesses. [2 *copies and draft.*]

March 28. **48–52.** Like order, requesting the Commissioners authorised by the Act for making the Wye navigable to send to the clerk of Council, before 7 April, all the letters and papers relating to the business. [3 *copies, and* 2 *drafts.*] *Annexing,*

52. I. *Valuation by the said Commissioners of the land in the Lee above the Rail at* 15*s., and below the Rail at* 20*s. the acre yearly, or at* 18 *years' purchase if sold.* [1 *page. Copy certified* 1 *April.* 10 *signatures.*]

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52. II. *Depositions of Wm. Smith and Rich. Vallis, of Nicholas parish, Guildford, that this is the true value of the land.* 31 *Dec.*, 1653. [1 *page, certified as above.*]

52. III. *Certificate by the said Commissioners that the value of* 8 *acres of land described, belonging to the Priory, Guildford, is* 9*l.* 10*s. a year, or* 18 *years' purchase.* 28 *Jan.* 1653–4. [1 *page. Copy certified as above.*]

52. IV. *Order by the said Commissioners that as Pitson has tendered to Lady Dirleton* 200*l.*, *which she has refused, he pay her* 10*l.* 10*s. a year, and on her death, buy the land at* 18 *years' purchase from her heirs; or if she can prove that she has more than a life estate in the land, that he pay her* 189*l. for it in fee simple.* [2 *pages. Certified as above.*]

March 28. Order on the desire of Major James Pitson, praying that the wharves and wharf houses in the Lees near Guildford may be protected, and that the teams with the State's powder, saltpetre, and timber for ships may pass without molestation,—that it be recommended to the sheriffs and justices of peace for Surrey to improve their care for keeping the peace, and preventing force touching the premises. [*I.* 75, *p.* 189.]

March 28. **53.** Petition of Capt. John Nicholas to the Protector. Being governor of Chepstow, in 1650, the co. Commissioners of Monmouth paid me 300*l.* from the sequestered rents of Bart. Morgan, which I spent as ordered, in repairing the fortifications, but the power of the county Commissioners being then transferred to the Haberdashers' Hall Commissioners, they want an order before they will allow the money. I beg this order, and a discharge to the receiver, that I may not be liable to repayment. [¾ *page.*]

March 28. Order that he give an account of the disbursement of the 300*l.* to the Commissioners of co. Monmouth, and if they find it true, they are to give him a discharge, and certify the Haberdashers' Hall Commissioners, who are to give a discharge to the receiver, and acquit the petitioner of further trouble. Approved, 31 March. [*I.* 75, *p.* 189.]

March 28. **54.** Petition of Dr. Ant. Tuckney, master of St. John's, and Wm. Dillingham, master of Emanuel College, Cambridge, to the Protector and Council, for payment of the 200*l.* a year allowed them as augmentation by the Universities' Commissioners, 26 Sept. 1651, with the arrears for the last quarter. [1 *page.*]

March 28. Order thereon for Falconberg to pay the same, the late restraint notwithstanding. Approved, 31 March. [*I.* 75, *p.* 190.]

March 28. **55.** Petition of Dr. Sam. Bolton, master of Christ's College, Cambridge, to the Protector and Council. Had an augmentation of 50*l.* a year granted to enable him to reside upon his employment

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which he has done, but for 1½ years it has not been paid. Begs arrears and payment in future, not having means to subsist. [1 *page.*]

March 28. Order thereon granting the petition. Approved 31 March. [*I.* 75, *p.* 190.]

March 28. **56.** Petition of John Worthington, master of Jesus College, Cambridge, to the Protector, to remove the restraint, that his last year's augmentation may be paid. Has resided constantly on the place till last summer, part of which he was absent, supplying a place in the country, on account of the uncertainty about the augmentation, without which his place is wholly insufficient for his subsistence. [⅔ *page.*]

March 28. Order thereon that Falconberg pay his augmentation with arrears. Approved 31 March. [*I.* 75, *p.* 190.]

March 28. **57.** Petition of Benj. Whichcot, provost, Edm. Vintener, bursar, and the scholars of King's College, Cambridge, to the Protector. On 1 March 1652–3, the Revenue Commissioners ordered Thos. Falconberg to pay them 80*l.* balance due of a pension of 10*l.* granted them by their founder, Henry VI., out of the fee farm rent of the butlerage of England and prizals of wine. He paid 40*l.*, but was prevented paying the rest by a general order of restraint, which was taken off as regards this payment, by an Order in Council of 30 Aug. last, but now he is disabled by a general order of restraint from the Commissioners of Inspection. Beg payment of the said 40*l.* With reference to Council, 3 March, 1653–4 to order payment. [1 *sheet.*]

March 28. Order thereon granting the petition. Approved 31 March. [*I.* 75, *p.* 190.]

March 28. **58.** Petition of Colonel Ant. Hungerford to the Protector, for present support in his urgent want, and a competent provision for life, in lieu of all dues from the State. Has long been ill and lame from wounds in fight, and unable to walk. His regiment in Ireland was reduced, and he has 1,500*l.* due for service there, 258*l.* for service in England, and 200*l.* disbursed for his regiment, but cannot travel to Ireland for his arrears. Has a wife and 2 children, and only 8*s.* a week out of Ely House. With reference thereon to Council to allow him 20*s.* a week from contingencies, 22 March 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*]

March 28. Order in Council accordingly for a warrant to Mr. Frost to pay the money out of Council's contingencies. [*I.* 75, *p.* 192.]

March 28. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order that an Ordinance be brought in to enable Mr. Arundell, of Lamhorne, to make sale of lands for payment of debts.

2. The following members of Council to dine and sup with the French Ambassador:—Tuesday, dinner and supper, Cooper and

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Strickland. Wednesday, dinner, Lawrence and Rous; supper, Lisle and Jones. Thursday, dinner, Pickering and Montague; supper, Lambert and Mackworth.

4. The petition of all such prisoners as desire to pay their debts read. Also Mackworth's report of an Ordinance for suspending the proceedings of the judges named in the Act for the Relief of Creditors and Poor Prisoners, which was committed to Mackworth, Jones, and Cooper, to advise with counsel, and report.

5. Order on petition of the inhabitants of the parish of North Bradley, co. Wilts, that Mr. Crabb have liberty to preach in the public meeting place or parish church of North Bradley every Sunday at 2 P.M., and on any week day; and all persons are to permit him to do so.

9. Jones and Mackworth added to the Committee on the petition of the surveyors and clerks of Drury House.

17. **59.** Order on report on Thos. Kendall's petition [*see* 16 March, *suprâ*], that the Admiralty Commissioners examine the facts, and report. *Annexing,*

59. I. *Report that the ship St. Lewis should be released and delivered to the Ambassador Extraordinary of the French King for Capt. Michell, but that any goods in her which appear to belong to Frenchmen should be confiscated.* [1 *page.*]

19. Mackworth and Strickland to speak with Col. Wayte, now attending Council, about the business which occasioned his summons.

20. Order on report from the Admiralty Committee on the petition of Geo. Pickering of Whitehaven, Cumberland,—concerning his ship the Lion, impressed by order from the Commissioners for Irish Affairs to transport provisions from Belfast to Ballishannon in Ireland, and taken by a pirate, whereof reparation is prayed,—that the Commissioners for Irish Affairs have this matter examined, and give order for his relief.

21. The petition of the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of London referred to Montague, Strickland, Mackworth, Jones, and Desborow, to consider it, send for such merchants as they wish, and report their opinion.

22. The petition of Thos. Bunce, prisoner in the Tower, read.

24. Two warrants and a letter, concerning the remove of Lieut.-Col. John Lilburne from the Tower and securing him in Jersey, being approved on the 22nd, were signed by the President.

25. The petition of Alexander Earl of Leven referred to the Committee to whom the business of Scotland was referred, to report. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 187–192.]

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March 28. **60.** Account presented by Thos. Violet to the Committee on the plate ships [*see* 22 Feb. 1654] of all his previous proceedings relating to the said ships; of the best mode to prevent embezzlement; of the nature of the claims made upon the silver, &c.; suggestions as to the best mode of proceeding in reference to them, and details of his own expenditure and services therein. [5¾ *closely written pages.*]

[March 29.] **61.** Petition of the owners, merchants, and freighters of the Report to the Protector. The ship was bound with merchandize to Virginia, and was to return laden with tobacco; she was sailing with other Virginia ships near Portland, when on 17 Jan. last, the Ruby, under Capt. Curtis, voluntarily or carelessly ran into her, and broke her so that she perished, to the loss of 4,000*l.* or 5,000*l.* Beg relief, and the punishment of the commander. 13 signatures. With reference thereon, 3 March 1653–4, to the Navy Commissioners. [1 *sheet.*]

March 29. **62.** Petition of Edw. Dunning, captain, and the crew of the Report to the Protector, for satisfaction for their clothes, instruments, and goods taken up on credit, all lost in the ship. 12 signatures. With reference thereon to the Navy Commissioners. [1⅓ *pages.*] *Annexing,*

62. I. II. *Certificate of Thos. Pott and others, that Capt. Curtis of the Ruby, while in the Downs, wilfully run into a laden ship the Report, commanded by Mr. Dunning, and sunk her, and that her crew had much difficulty to save their lives.* 20 *Jan.* 1653–4. [2 *copies.*]

62. III. *Depositions of Edw. Laverich, Lieutenant, Rich. Cox, master, and John Viny, gunner of the Ruby, that the collision was accidental, and that they did their best to save the crew of the Report. Taken before Judge Advocate Fowler.* 21 *Jan.* [3 *pages.*]

62. IV. V. *Depositions of Henry Hearle and Jno. Dunning, master's mates, Saml. Dunning, surgeon, and Edw. Dunning, Master of the Report, bound for Virginia, as to the cause of that ship being lost through coming in collision with the Ruby, commanded by Capt. Curtis while in the Downs, to prove that the collision was intentional.* 31 *Jan.* [2 *copies.*]

62. VI. *Deposition before Robert Grainger, Mayor, and Thos. Mullins, notary of Portsmouth, of Dan. Arncotts and Chas. Hasleton, mariners, that the sinking of the Report was for want of men to stop the leak after the collision.* *Feb.* 8. [1⅓ *pages.*]

62. VII. *Deposition of Thos. Robinson, of Ratcliff, and Hen. Grey, of Redriff, mariners, taken in the Admiralty Court, in the suit of Thos. Readbeard against Gifford Bale, Edw.*

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Holcombe and other assurers, that the loss of the Report was occasioned by the carelessness of Capt. Curtis, that the lading was worth 1,800*l.*, *and that the ship might have gained* 2,000*l.* *by freight from Virginia to London.* 10 *March.* [6⅓ *pages.*]

March 29. **63.** Petition of Thos. Wynyffe, D.D., late Bishop of Lincoln, to the Protector. I had large arrears of rent, pensions, &c., from rectories due to me, when I was bishop, but by order of Parliament I delivered my leases to the trustees appointed by them, and for want thereof I cannot sue, and am in danger of losing the greatest part of them.

During the late wars, I was always at my house at Bugden, in Parliament quarters, and submitted to all the Ordinances, and was never charged with delinquency; I paid taxes, and had great charges in the quartering of soldiers, so that without these arrears I shall be unable to subsist. I have had a petition 3 years in the hands of some members of both the late Parliaments, but they could never get it read, on account of great affairs, though the Committee of Petitions drew up a report.

I beg that Lieut.-Col. Robinson, receiver of the bishoprick, may demand and receive my arrears and pay them to me. The former Parliament granted a like favour to Dr. Juxon, Bishop of London. With reference thereon to Council. 22 March 1653–4. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

63. I. *Order in Parliament that the trustees for sale of Bishops' lands order the receiver for the bishoprick of London to pay Dr. Juxon, late bishop, the arrears due to him, and take means for their recovery.* 4 *May* 1647. [1 *page.*]

63. II. *Order in the Committee for Petitions that a like order be granted to Dr. Wynyffe.* 21 *Nov.* 1653. [⅔ *page.*]

March 29. Order in Council that the tenants pay in their said arrears to the doctor, and that the trustees for sale of bishops' lands order their receiver for the bishopric to use all means for their recovery. Approved 31 March. [*I.* 75, *p.* 194.]

March 29. **64.** Petition of Frances, widow of Wm. Hutchinson, to the Protector. My husband and his partners, on 7 Dec. 1639, took a lease in reversion from the dean and chapter of Exeter, of Staverton, and other manors, co. Devon, for which they were to pay 8,000*l.* They paid 4,000*l.* then, and on obtaining a lease of it 8 Oct. 1644, they paid the other 4,000*l.* or security for it. Of these manors my husband was to have ¼, and his part of the purchase money came to 1,333*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* But this lease, though made before any sequestration or Act for sale, has been disallowed by the Commissioners of Obstructions.

The contractors refusing to make any consideration of our lease in selling the estate to us, Mr. Foxcraft bought it at 17,000*l.*, of

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which he paid only ½, and that in double bills, though it is worth 30,000*l.*, has turned us and our tenants out, and refuses a trial at law.

In like manner they have sold away at 12 years' value a lease of Thearverton manor, co. Devon, which we took for 1,850*l.*, my husband's share being 450*l.*, and for which we offered them 20 years' value, which they refused.

Having 7 children, and these manors our chief subsistence, I beg a special Ordinance, such as has been lately passed in a like case to the tenants of Farnham, for a review of the sale, or repayment of the fine paid on the lease, or some means of preservation from utter ruin. With reference thereon to Council, to give her 100*l.* for her children, and 50*l.* for her long attendance and her charges home, although her case is not otherwise capable of relief, 22 March 1653–4. [1½ *pages.*]

March 29. Order thereon for payment of the said moneys out of Council's contingencies. [*I.* 75, *p.* 195.]

March 29. **65.** Petition of Fras. Ashe, governor, and the Muscovy Company, to the Greenland Committee of Council, to procure them a speedy warrant to preserve their shipmasters and harpooners from impress, as they have prepared for their whale fishing to Greenland; but some of their men being pressed to serve the State, they cannot proceed without able harpooners. [⅔ *page.*]

March 29. **66.** Request by the Muscovy Company and Hull merchants, that as the trade cannot be regulated in time for this season's fishing, they may go with 6 ships and a pinnace on their own accounts for this year, and have a warrant to free their harpooners from impress. [¾ *page.*] *Annexing,*

66. I. *List of* 12 *harpooners for York and Hull, with note of* 50 *seamen, masters, and carpenters required.* 8 *March* 1653–4. [*Scrap.*]

March 29. Order in Council that warrants be prepared for securing them accordingly, as also others not mentioned who may hereafter be required, as being useful in the killing of whales. [*I.* 75, *p.* 195.]

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2. Amendments in the Ordinance for suspending the proceedings of the judges named in the Act for the relief of creditors and poor prisoners read, and agreed to.

3. Order, on report from the Committee for the business of Scotland, that 50,000*l.* be forthwith provided and sent to Scotland for supply of the forces there, viz., 12,000*l.* from the treasuries at Goldsmiths' Hall and Drury House; 20,000*l.* from the moneys in the Tower; and 8,000*l.* from such other treasuries as the Committee for inspecting Treasuries think fit; to be repaid out of the first money that shall come in to the treasury at Gurney House; and

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10,000*l.* more out of the moneys that come in there after the 8,000*l.* is repaid. Approved 31 March.

4. An Ordinance for continuing the Admiralty Judges passed for law, on report of the Protector's approbation.

6. Order, on consideration of a report from the Committee on the petition of the several companies of the city of London,—concerning a plantation in Ulster granted to a corporation erected by patent from King James to the use of the petitioners, and of the votes of Parliament in the case, dated August 26, 1642;—that the same Committee proceed upon the votes without further examination of the proofs referring thereunto, and offer what they judge fit for settling the matter according to those votes.

7. Order that the addition of 302*l.* 7*s.* allowed for interest be taken from the 2,134*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.*, declared to be due to Col. John Hewson for services in England, so that 1,832*l.* 9*s.* 3*d.* only is due to him.

10. Note of the signing of 5 warrants for payment of money. 27 Feb. to 17 March.

11. The petition of Rich. Fitzgerard referred to the Committee for the business of Ireland, viz., Lambert, Wolsley, Cooper, Lisle, Montague, and Jones, to report.

12. **67.** Order, on report from the Committee on the petition of Dame Christian Temple and others [*see* 9 Feb., *suprà*] that the Justices of Common Pleas admit Sir Richard Temple, though an infant, to levy fines and suffer recoveries on his lands in England, for the better settling them on trustees; that the deed therefor give him power to settle a jointure on such wife as he shall marry; that the lands be engaged for 11 years, and be charged with the debts of the late Sir Peter Temple, his father, named in articles of 15 Aug. last, and with 2,000*l.* more; the remainder to be settled as by a former deed of settlement. Also that Sir Richard be enabled to make assurance of land which Sir Peter exchanged with Edm. Dayrell. [*I.*75, *pp.* 193–6.] *Annexing,*

67. I. *Report on which this order is grounded,* 21 *March* 1653–4. [1 *page.*]

67. II. *Sir Rich. Temple to Col. Mackworth. I have spoken with Sir A. A. Cooper, and hope I shall be allowed the exchange of lands with a freeholder, as it will advantage the estate* 500*l. a year, and the freeholder disturbs the creditors in the estate.* [*Scrap.*]

67. III. *Request by Temple for power to confirm assurances to Edm. Dayrell of lands exchanged with his father, Dayrell now wishing to avoid the exchange, and threatening to fling open the enclosure of the lands, by which the estate is improved* 500*l. a year.* [½ *page.*]

67. IV. *Deposition by Sir R. Temple that there are* 2,000*l. of just debts of his late father above those secured by the* 11 *years' term, which he has promised to pay, and will give*

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security for them out of his estate, if he may have power to do so.—21 *March* 1653–4. [⅔ *page.*]

67. v. *Draft of part of the proposed deed of settlement.* [⅔ *page.*]

March 29. **68.** Order by the Revenue Commissioners that the Sequestration Commissioners execute their power to enforce speedy payment of all moneys that became due the 25th instant, and are not paid in, for rents of sequestered estates, fines on compositions of delinquents, &c. [½ *page.*]

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1, 2. Ordinances from the Committee on Col. Hewson's business, for payment of his arrears; and from the Committee for Ireland, for better provision for maimed soldiers, old widows, and orphans in Ireland, read twice, and agreed to.

3. Order, on petition of Wm. Lowe, and Geo. Primrose, 2 ministers settled by Ordinance of Parliament in Hereford, that they be restored to their ministry as fully as is intended in the Ordinance of Parliament of May 28, 1646.

4. Order, on information that a woman apprehended for selling 2 scandalous pamphlets, viz., "A perfect account of the daily intelligence from the armies in England, Scotland, and Ireland, and the navy at sea," and "The moderate Intelligencer" has discovered their printer, who, being apprehended, acknowledges having printed them, that the woman be released, and Col. Goffe and Mr. Stockdale, Justices of Peace at Westminster, examine him and others, to discover who wrote the books, and how many have been printed and sold, and report. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 196–7.]

March 31. Act for better amending the highways of the nation. In every parish of England and Wales, 2 householders, worth 20*l.* a year, or 100*l.* personally, to be chosen surveyors of highways. If there be no such persons, 20*l.* a year is to be rated on the parish, and the overseers of the poor are to be surveyors of highways. The surveyors to be sworn to execute the office faithfully, or on refusal to be fined 10*l.*

Within 10 days of being sworn in, the surveyor is to view all roads and streets, and nuisances therein, and consider what will be needful for repairs, on pain of forfeiting 20*s.*; also to lay on taxes for repairs, but not to exceed 1*s.* in the pound on the rent, or in 20*l.* on goods, except in case of prosecutions against those who fail to remove nuisances. Regulations for mending bridges, scouring ditches, getting stones, &c. When a cart is drawn by more than 5 horses, or more than 6 oxen and 1 horse, all the supernumeraries are to be seized and detained till a fine of 20*s.* each has been paid for them. Constables and surveyors to be defended in law in what they do by virtue of this Ordinance. Surveyors to keep perfect accounts, &c. [17 *pages, printed. Collection of Acts, Vol. II., No.* 84, *Record Office Library, F.* 498.]

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[March 31.] **69.** Petition of Peter Phillis, factor on the St. John Baptist of Dieppe, to the Protector. Set forth last May from Dieppe to Canada and back, but being summoned by the Elias frigate, yielded without resistance, and was brought into Plymouth. The ship and goods belong to merchants of Dieppe, who have always favoured the English, and the Governor has written letters on their behalf. Begs an order for restoration of ship and goods. With reference thereon to Council, 3 March 1653–4. [1 *page.*]

March 31. **70.** Petition of Peter Phillis, factor of the St. John of Dieppe, to the Protector. You gave me a reference on a former petition to Council, but before they did anything, the ship was condemned in the Admiralty Court. I beg its restoration, on payment of all charges, the merchants to whom it belongs being poor, and ready to sink under the loss. With reference thereon to Council, 23 March 1653–4. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

March 31. **71.** Reference thereon by Council to Mr. Strickland, Sir G. Pickering, and Col. Jones, to report, and meantime stay is to be made of the sale of the ship and goods. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page. Also I,* 75, *p.* 200.] *Annexing,*

71. I. *Reference thereon by the said Committee to the Admiralty Judges,* 17 *April* 1654. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

71. II. *Report of the said judges that the ship belongs to Dieppe and Rouen merchants; that they took French goods to Canada, and returned with beaver skins, masts, &c., but were taken and brought into Plymouth,* 9 *Dec. last; and that belonging to subjects of the French nation, they were condemned by the law of general reprisals.* 18 *April* 1654. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

[March 31.] **72.** Petition of Mich. Castell, merchant, to the Protector. In the beginning of the rebellion of Ireland, from compassion to the bleeding condition of Protestant interests, and encouraged by Ordinances of Parliament, cheerfully ventured a great part of his estate, and would have done his life. There has been due to him 6,439*l.* 1*s.* 1*d.* for 10 years. His report was in Col. Hewson's hands several months before the dissolution of the late Parliament, but could not be dispatched. Is threatened with ruin for want of this money, having had to borrow it and pay interest. Begs immediate payment with interest, or satisfaction according to the rates of the Adventurers in the Ordinance of 30 Jan. 1642–3. With reference thereon to Council, 22 Feb. 1653–4. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

72. I. *Case of Mich. Castell, certifying his delivery of wheat, flour and beef at Dublin and Carrickfergus in* 1642, *valu* 7,439*l.* 1*s.* 1*d.*, *of which he has only received* 1,000*l.* *Als that on promise of speedy payment of* 3,000*l. in part thereo he was prevailed upon by the Irish Committee to let a shi*

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of his laden with powder go to Dublin, where powder was much wanted; he sold the powder there, but the 3,000*l. was not paid.* [2¼ *pages.*]

72. II. *Certificate by Rob. King of the dispatch of the said ship to Dublin.* 7 *Feb.* 1652–3. [¾ *page.*]

March 31. Reference thereon by Council to Lambert, Wolsley, Lisle, Jones, and Rous, being the Committee on Ald. Hutchinson's petition, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 200.]

March 31. **73.** Petition of the clerks of the several Parliamentary Committees, for themselves and the other servants, to the Protector, for fitting salaries. Have attended diligently during the late Parliament, which on 28 Nov. last, referred it to the respective committees to consider what servants were necessary and what allowances should be made them, but the reports were not made before the dissolution. Signed by—

John Meverell, clerk of the Committee for Preservation of Customs and Redemption of Captives.
Jos Larke, clerk of the Committee for Public Debts.
Wm. Dalby, clerk of the Committee for Prisons and Prisoners.
Wm. Thompson, clerk of the Committee for the Advance of Learning.
Thos. Lawes, clerk of the Committee for Trade and Corporations.

With reference thereon to Council, 30 Jan. 1653–4. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

73. I. *Certificate by the Committee for Prisoners that Dalby served the late Committee from* 26 *July to* 12 *Dec.* 1653, *and having been at great charge and little profit, should have* 50*l.* 13 *Dec.* 1653. 16 *signatures.* [1 *page.*]

73. II. *Request by Thompson for the same allowance as the other clerks, having served from* 1 *Aug.* 1653. [1 *page.*]

73. III. *Certificate by J. Sadler, chairman, that Thompson served the Committee for Advance of Learning till its dissolution, and commending him and the doorkeeper and messenger for allowance.* [¾ *page.*]

73. IV. *Order in the Trade and Corporation Committee that Lawes should be allowed* 100*l. a year, the doorkeeper* 40*l., and the messenger* 30*l. Also request for* 7*l.* 19*s.* 4*d. for fire, candles, &c.* 5 *Dec.* 1653. [1½ *pages.*]

March 31. Reference thereon by Council to the clerks of Council, to report. [*I.* 78, *p.* 200.]

March 31. **74.** Petition of John Spittlehouse to the Protector. I have been 14 weeks in custody of a messenger, on a warrant of the Council of

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State, but know of no prejudice done by me to the State, for which I hazarded my life, and lost my estate at Gainsborough, bearing arms at my own charge there and at the siege of Newark, being in the army till the battle of Worcester, and under your order, and published several writings in vindication of your Highness and the army, at the dissolution of the last Parliament.

I cannot get to the knowledge of my charge to the utter ruin of myself and family, having no supply to bear my charge. I beg leave to defend myself, and to be set at liberty, with reparation for my detention and sufferings. With reference thereon to Council, 22 March 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*]

March 31. **75.** Petition of Geo. Horton and Wm. Huby to the Protector, to remit their offence, or release them on bail, to save their families from ruin. Are very poor, and have been 3 months in custody of Mr. Holden, messenger, for printing and publishing scandalous and unlicensed pamphlets. Are heartily sorry for their offence, have confessed all they knew thereon, and will never do the like again, but make discovery to their utmost power. With reference thereon to Council, 9 Feb. 1653–4. [1 *page.*]

March 31. Order on these two petitions in Council that Mr. Scobell speak with Sec. Thurloe, and if they find no material cause for the prisoners' further detention, Council will give order for their liberty. [*I.* 75, *p.* 201.]

March 31. **76.** Petition of Edw. Thornhill, Geo. Perdue, John Middleton, and Phil. Smith. saltpetre men, for themselves and others, to the Protector, to inhibit the working and gathering of ashes within 12 miles of a saltpetre work, and to authorise them to buy the ashes, or they can never fulfil their contract. Petitioned the Council of State to this effect last March, as saltpetre cannot be made without ashes, and formerly all potash and glass makers were forbidden to gather ashes within the 12 miles. Council referred the case to the Ordnance Committee, who reported in their favour, and this report was to be offered to Parliament by Sir Arthur Hesilrigge, on 18 April last, but by the dissolving of Parliament 2 days after, nothing has yet been done. With reference thereon, 1 March 1653–4, to Council. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

76. I. *Order in the Ordnance Committee of* 17 *March* 1652–3, *alluded to, endorsed with a report to the same effect.* [⅔ *page.*]

March 31. **77.** Reference of the said petition by Council to the Admiralty Committee. [½ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 201.] *Annexing,*

77. I. *Report of the said Committee against the petition, as there was no provision therefor made in the contract, and it will be prejudicial to the country.* 7 *April* 1654. [⅔ *page*]

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March 31. **78, 79.** Petition of Julian Clement, captain and owner of the Mary of St. Malo, to the Protector. On 6 Oct. last I sailed from St. Malo for Portugal, where I delivered linen goods, and laded bars of silver and pieces of 8, value 80,000*l.* Coming home, I was driven by contrary winds and want of provisions to England for relief, and in Mount's Bay met 3 of the State's men-of-war, whom not knowing, I ran on shore to Penzance, and put 619½ pieces of 8 in the mayor's custody.

Whilst I was away, Capt. Coquerel, of the Old Warwick, boarded my ship, carried her to Falmouth, and there put out her company. I beg her restoration, with that of the said money, and the protection which English merchants enjoy in the harbours of France. With reference to Council, 3 March 1653-4. [1 *sheet*, 2 *copies.*]

March 31. Reference thereon in Council to Strickland, Pickering, and Jones, [*I.* 75, *p.* 201.] *Annexing,*

80. I. *Reference thereon by the said Committee to the Admiralty Judges, to state what ships have been taken by the Old Warwick, and the proceedings thereon in their Court, and to report.* 4 *April* 1654. [½ *page.*]

80. II. *Report of the said Judges that the ship and goods were condemned as prize, according to the general law of reprisals, they belonging to Frenchmen, and no one putting in any legal claim to them; but since then they have been claimed by Julian Clement, who produced* 3 *papers, copies, and not authentically sealed or subscribed, being his claim, and examinations before the mayors of Penryn and Penzance in favour thereof.* 10 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

80. III. *Report thereon to Council, detailing the above, and stating the lading to be silver, figs, raisins, almonds, sugar, and cochineal; but some of the silver and a valuable bag of cochineal have been plundered.* 21 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

March 31. **81.** Petition of Toby Cradock, in behalf of the inhabitants of co. Durham, to the Protector, for an Ordinance for an assize and gaol delivery in the county next vacation. The dissolution of 2 Parliaments has prevented the passing of an Act therefor, so that there has been no assize nor gaol delivery since Aug. 1652, to the great damage of the county, and the wasting of houses and spoiling of lands and woods by those who have no right thereto. With reference thereon, 6 Feb. 1653–4, to Council. [1 *page.*]

March 31. Order in Council that the petition be laid aside. [*I.* 75, *p.* 202.]

March 31. **82.** Petition of Maurice Gardner, merchant of London, to the Protector. The Green Knight, which he owns, and sent on a merchant voyage to Naples, was surprised by a French man-of-war of Toulon, carried in, and made prize, as proved by depositions taken before the Mayor of Plymouth. Begs that satisfaction may be

demanded from the French agent, or that he may have letters of marque against the French and Dutch for damages, value 14,300*l.* With reference thereon to Council, 27 Jan. 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*]

March 31. Order thereon that the petition be laid aside. [*I.* 75, *p.* 202.]

March 31. **83.** Petition of Rose, wife of Hen. Lashford, prisoner in the Marshalsea, to the Protector, for pardon for her husband, who falling into ill company, was drawn into the horrid sin of theft, but is most penitent. [½ *page.*] *Annexing,*

83. I. *Certificate by Sam. Hall, keeper of the common gaol for Surrey, that Lashford was committed to the Marshalsea on suspicion of felony.* 18 *March* 1653–4. [½ *page.*]

March 31. Order thereon that the petition be laid aside. [*I.* 75, *p.* 202.]

March 31.] **84.** Petition of Ant. Gay, Thos. Moore, And. Kirby, and Josiah and Hum. Primate, English merchants, to the Protector. Having sold vinegar and kid skins at Rochelle—goods not prohibited, but perishable by lying there—our factor bought the Anthony of a Lubec merchant to transport them to England, the master and mate being English; but being ignorant of the late Navigation Act, for want of English mariners, he manned her with Lubeckers, whereon the ship and goods are seized in Bristol port. We beg an order for their release, that the unadvised proceeding of our factor may not ruin our estates. With reference to Council, 28 March 1654. [1 *page.*]

March 31. **85.** Reference thereon by Council to the Admiralty Commissioners, to report. [½ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 202.]

[March 31.] **86.** Like petition to the Admiralty Commissioners, urging release of the ship, as their loss is 10*l.* a day charges, beside the loss of time in sending the ship for Virginia or Norway, as intended. [1 *page.*]

March 31. **87.** Petition of Mat. Lock and Jas. Chetwind to the Protector. Have been clerks under Col. Hill and Mr. Rowe, at the Irish and Scotch Committee, and since its dissolution, have waited orders, spending their time in entering the Commissioners' transactions, preparing accounts of provisions for the army on contracts, &c. Their salaries are unpaid since 23 June last, so that on 23 March ¾ year salary is due, 73*l.* 10*s.* to Lock and 37*l.* 10*s.* to Chetwind. Beg payment and employment. With certificate by Wm. Rowe as to the sums due, which were to have been paid from incident moneys for Ireland, but there being none left, he suggests payment from the sale by Capt. H. Hatsell of provisions at Jersey, and also asks 20*l.* for Wm. Rowe, a third clerk, employed 1¼ years and paid by himself. With reference thereon to Council, 29 March 1654. [1 *sheet.*]

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March 31. **88.** Reference thereon by Council to the Committee for Scotland, to report. [1½ *p.* *Also I.* 75, *p.* 202.]

March 31. **89.** Petition of Randall Poole to the Protector, to sign an order for him to purchase the hoy Charity, at the rate, 74*l.*, at which she is appraised in the Prize Office. With recommendation to Council, written and signed by the Protector. [½ *page.*]

March 31. **90.** Reference thereon by Council to the Admiralty Committee, to report. [½ *page.* *Also I.* 75, *p.* 203.]

March 31. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Approval by the Protector of the Ordinance suspending the proceedings of the Judges on the Act for relief of creditors and poor prisoners, but altering the day from 1 June to 20 April; the amendment passed, and the Ordinance to be printed.

2–3. Approval by the Protector of 3 other Ordinances, which were passed.

4. The Committee on the Post Office to insert what they think fit in Mr. Manley's Ordinance, as to the office of postmaster, and to report.

6. Order on a paper about an establishment for Cardiff Castle, that there be allowed for the garrison 48 soldiers, and that 20*s.* a day be allowed for fire and candles. The Army Treasurers to issue warrants accordingly. Approved 7 April.

7. In pursuance of an order of March 22, Lambert and other members of Council reported several petitions received, whereupon Council passed the orders following:—

8. The petition of the Adventurers for lands in Ireland referred to the Committee on their former petition, to report.

9. That of the prisoners in the Fleet for civil causes and for debts laid aside, its matter being partly provided for by an Ordinance concerning creditors and prisoners.

10. That of the justices of peace and grand jury at the sessions holden at Lynn, Jan. 1653–4, concerning the navigation of Lynn, referred to the Committee for the Adventurers for the great level [of the fens], *viz.*, Lambert, Pickering, Cooper, Wolsley, to report.

11. Order on petition of Wm. Astoll and Wm. Pembridge, about the discovery of the silver ships, that the master of requests procure the Admiralty judges' report mentioned, so that further order may be taken.

12. The petition of Dame Agripina Bingley referred to the Committee for the petitions of the late King's servants, to report.

13. That of divers persons of Jersey, concerning its government, referred to the Committee on the petition of the burgesses, &c. of Westminster, viz., Strickland, Mackworth, Rous, Pickering, Jones, and Major; also Col. Jas. Heane's proposals exhibited yesterday:

15. The petition of divers merchants and others of London trading to Virginia and other foreign plantations, about the planting of English tobacco, referred to the Committee for Treasuries, to report.

17. The petition of Hills Whittingham, and Thomas Gatford of

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London, concerning English tobacco, referred to the Committee for the Treasuries.

20. **91.** That of Rachel MacAdams *alias* Moore, widow, referred to Cooper, Jones, and Strickland, to report.

22. That of Rob. Swanley, late commander of the Henry Bonaventure, referred to the Admiralty Committee, to report.

24. That of John Clerke referred to Mackworth, Jones, and Cooper, to report.

25. That of Capt. Thos. Constable, for himself and officers, and the widows of Capt. Rich. Warren and Capt. Thos. Howse, officers of the Middlesex regiment, to be considered when the public debts are considered.

27. That of Wm. Davenport, heretofore Marshal of Chester, referred to Mackworth, Strickland, and Jones, to report.

28. That of Dame Jane, relict of Sir Greg. Fenner, equerry to the late King, laid aside.

33. That of Zachariah Highlord, Wm. Sedley, Anth. Bassey, and others, concerning moneys paid to the Committee for Advance of money, laid aside.

34. That of Mary Sherman, widow, concerning arrears due to her husband, armourer to the late King, referred to Jones, Cooper, and Strickland, to report.

36. That of John du Maresq and Josh. Bennet of Jersey, referred to the Committee on the government of Jersey, to report.

37. That of Orton Brooker, engineer, referred to the Treasury Committee, to report.

38. Those of Lt. Col. Ben. Norton, and of Jane Greenwood, Kath Needham, and Eliz. Crant, widows, concerning arrears, referred t Jones, Strickland, Mackworth, and Pickering, to report.

39. An order of Parliament of Dec. 31, 1652, allowing 200*l.* t James Challoner, for his disbursements about the Lodge in th middle Park at Hampton Court, referred to the Treasury Commis sioners, to report.

40. The Inspection Commissioners to report on what Treasur 500*l.* may best be charged for Mr. Embree's repairs of Whitehall.

41. Col. Mackworth to offer to Council a draft of an Ordinance fo regulating payments at the Savoy and Ely House to wounde persons.

43. Order on view of a bill of lading for 10 casks of wine, to b shipped for London on the St. Nicholas of London by Chas. Bayn by order of M. de Montigny, governor of Dieppe, for the Protecto that so much as is for his Highness' use be delivered free of custon and excise, and that the Treasury Commissioners certify as to tl remainder.

44. Order on report on John Shaw's petition [*see* 21 Marc *suprà*] that a letter be written to the Spanish Ambassador, to desi his endeavour for speedy justice.

45. Order on report in the case of Dame Marg. Hungerford, for warrant to Fauconberg to pay her 800*l.*, being the principal of 50 and interest thereon. *Annexing,*

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92. I. *Note by Hugh Audley that he stood bound in* 1,000*l.*, 14 *Aug.* 1644, *to pay* 500*l. and interest at* 8 *per cent. to Rich. Aldsworth, merchant of London, which is unpaid, and with interest to* 14 *Aug.* 1654 *next, will amount to* 900*l. besides costs of suit.* [$\frac{1}{3}$ *page. See* 21 *Feb.* 1653–4, *p.* 411.]

46. An Ordinance to be prepared for revising the former Ordinance for Probate of Wills.

47. An information against Thos. Cockett, shoemaker, and John Allen, jun.. husbandman, both of Dingley, co. Northampton, referred to Maj. Wm. Butler and John Mansell, justices of peace for the county, to hear both parties, and certify, and bind them to appear before Council if needful.

48. An Ordinance reported by Mackworth read twice, and agreed to.

49. The petition of Thos. Bunce, prisoner in the Tower, laid aside. [*See* 13 April 1654.]

50. Approval by the Protector of 11 orders, 23–29 March.

56, 57. Pickering and Mackworth report that the Protector, having made some alteration in the Ordinance against cock-fighting approved it, and it being read, and on question the last clause "and in case of resistance" negatived, it is again presented to his Highness by Pickering and Mackworth, who reporting his approval, it is passed, and ordered to be printed.

58. An Ordinance for continuing an Act for Probate of Wills and granting administrations read, and agreed to.

60. To allow Earl Mulgrave 1,000*l.* for demolishing his house. Strickland, Lambert, Cooper, and Lisle, to report how it may soonest be paid. Approved 7 April.

61. Lambert, Mackeworth, Jones, Cooper, and Lisle to be a Committee for Regulation of Savoy and Ely House Hospitals and their maintenance money, and to bring in an Ordinance thereon if necessary.

62. Col. Ant. Rous appointed an Admiralty Commissioner. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 198–207.]

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Whitehall.

Council to Sir Francis Norris, Mr. Cate, high sheriff, Mr. Appletree, and Mr. Jenkyns, justices of peace for co. Oxford. The petition of Joan Hancks of Stanton Harcot, co. Oxford, being presented to Council, they have referred it to you, and desire you to examine the business therein mentioned, and if possible, compose the difference, or otherwise report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 207.]

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93. Petition of Joyce Keate to the Admiralty Committee. I was committed to Bridewell for practising as a solicitor, but ordered to be discharged on bail, in case I discovered others that practised in the same nature. I exhibited 8 articles, subscribed by eminent housekeepers in London, against Geo. Firbank of the Navy Office, Tower Hill. He has obtained the articles, secretly cut off the sub-

scription, and says I should have been discharged, but for those articles, but now shall be in prison at his mercy. I beg to be released and not subjected to the cruelty of my enemy. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

93. I. *Articles accusing Firbank of conniving at the embezzlement of ships' stores and receiving money therefor; also of buying tickets at low prices from widows, &c. for their husbands' pay, and of joining with several female solicitors in fraudulent transactions about tickets.* [1 *sheet, with a corner cut out.*]

93. II. *Names of* 9 *witnesses who can testify concerning certain parts of the premises.* [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

93. III. *Answer of Firbank in detail to the said articles. Has never co-operated with solicitors, and did all he could to break that gang.* [1 *sheet.*]

March 31. **94.** Reference by the Admiralty Commissioners of the above petition and papers to the Navy Commissioners, to hear the parties and their witnesses, and certify with speed. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

March 31. Southampton. **95.** Rich. Belchamber to the Admiralty Committee. By your orders I have taken care of the prisoners at Southampton, of whom 200 were sick and wounded, and were as great a charge as all the others in health. I observed your order as to allowing 1*s.* a day to the commanders and officers, as also that to value myself as one of the Commissioners for Prize Goods in London; but the Committee for Inspections object to the payment of my bills. If they are not settled, I must leave the sick and wounded to the care of the town, having already disbursed 200*l.*, and being otherwise much out of pocket. I have been 12 months in the employment, and delivered 15,000*l.* worth of goods, but never received one penny salary, as all the money was paid into the office at London; I have also spent 100*l.* in journeys. I beg an order to the Commissioners of Prize Goods for a supply of money, as my credit has been brought in question. [1 *page.*]

March ? **96.** Petition of Thos. Levet, executor of Hen. Shuter, Gent. to the Protector. King Charles, being at enmity with France and Spain, took many of their vessels, and granted letters of marque to his subjects, $\frac{1}{10}$ and $\frac{1}{5}$ of the prizes being reserved to the Crown. He issued commissions to persons to sell the said ships, whereby large sums were raised, but no clear accounts given, and both they and their buyers keep moneys in their hands. Also many prize goods were embezzled.

Wm. Murray, groom of the bedchamber, informing of these frauds, got a grant, 9 and 10 Charles, of all the ships, money, jewels, &c., thus unjustly witheld from the king, he paying in $\frac{1}{4}$ of the clear profits. He spent much time and money in prosecution, but to little

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benefit, because of the slow proceedings in the Exchequer, and in 16 Charles, he sold his interest to Henry Shuter.

On account of the troubles, he could do little till 1650, when he applied to the Council of State and Parliament, and by order of 6 Dec. 1652, was referred to the Navy Commissioners, but Parliament dissolved, and Shuter died.

The business, if well followed up, would bring in 50,000*l.* I beg that persons of trust may be appointed to bring the offenders to account, and instead of $\frac{3}{4}$, I will be content with $\frac{1}{2}$, leaving $\frac{1}{2}$ to you, instead of $\frac{1}{4}$. [1 *page.*]

March ? **97, 98.** Petition of Wm. Thomson, for the city and corporation of Edinburgh, to the Protector. By recommendation of the late Council of State, Parliament granted us an order for an imposition of 4*d.* Scotch on each pint of ale or beer brewed or sold within the corporation, towards our public debts, and a bill was to have been brought in, but Parliament dissolved, and the supreme authority devolved happily on your Highness. We beg you to make this order effectual, and to enable the magistrates to levy the duties, that the civil government of that ancient city, in danger of dissolution by debt, may be supported till further consideration. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page,* 2 *copies.*] *Annexing,*

98. I., II. *Order in Parliament, on report* 24 *Oct.* 1653, *from the Council of State, that Sir Jas. Hope bring in an Act for levying the said duty.* 31 *Oct.* 1653. [1 *page,* 2 *copies.*]

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April 1. Swiftsure, St. Ellen's Road. **1.** John Poortmans to Rob. Blackborne. We much expect the issue of the Dutch treaty. Your silence last week has created some jealousy among us, and though the Generals do not say much, they think it strange that there should be so little intercourse between the Commissioners and them, and that the present state of affairs should be so much concealed from them, a clear knowledge of which would put further life into us. But *verbum sat.* Several commanders in the fleet are much unsatisfied to be kept so much in ignorance, and to be looked on as mercenaries, which they disown. Let this be remedied.

I want repayment by the Commissioners of Sick and Wounded for 8*l.* paid to a widow. [1 *page.*]

pril 3. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Approval by the Protector of the Ordinance continuing the Act for probate of wills, which is to be printed and published.

3. Order that Wm. Legg and C. Kinnersly send to Council a particular note of all the hangings, beddings, carpets, chairs and

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stools, furniture, and household stuff belonging to the Protector, which have been lent to anyone and not returned, so that they may be called in.

4, 5. On delivery of the said certificates, the messengers of Council are to repair to the said persons, and demand immediate delivery of the goods to Mr. Kinnersly, to whom all persons having such goods are required to give them up.

6. The business of the Portugal, on the examinations and papers returned by Mr. Attorney and Recorder, referred to Cooper, Jones, Strickland, Mackworth, Skippon, Montague, and Pickering, to meet this afternoon, sent for Mr. Attorney and Recorder, and report.

8. Dr. Parker's lodgings at Somerset House, lately assigned by Jones and Strickland to Mr. Gookin, to be delivered to him, and the housekeeper to put him in possession.

9. The following persons, having lodgings in Whitehall, to render them up to the use of such others as the Protector shall appoint. Mr. Embree, surveyor, to see it done, and to receive the keys.

Thos. Bennet.	Mr. Lapidge.	Mrs. Farmer.
Col. Mathews.	Mr. Broome.	Mrs. Knight.
Mrs. Huffe.	Mr. Robins.	Widow Goose.
Widow Howard.	Mr. Sydenham.	Mr. Gookin.
Mr. Swenton.	Mr. Emerton.	Sir H. Mildmay.
Eliz. Alkin.	Mr. Andye.	Mrs. Flower.
Mr. Roberts.	Jane Neale.	Mrs. Pierce.
Major Wansey.	Mr. King.	Mrs. Wood.
Mrs. Chaplain.	Maj. Burton.	Mr. Newman.
Mr. Rozier.	Mrs. Meridith.	Col. Rous.

10. Order that the supernumeraries lately raised, increasing th Protector's regiment of foot from 700 to 1,200, and Cols. Ingoldsby Pride, Goffe, and Sir Wm. Constable's from 700 to 1,000, be con tinued another month, and the Army Committee to issue warrant for payment accordingly.

11. The said Committee to order that the 5 companies of Cor stable's regiment designed for service begin their march, and tha the necessary provisions be speedily supplied.

12. The pay of the cornet to the Protector's lifeguard to be take off, and transferred to 2 of the gentlemen of the same, viz., Ed. Ro and Wm. Thomson, to begin from Feb. 20, last muster day. [*I.* 7 *pp.* 207–210.]

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Council to the Commissioners for Inspecting Treasuries. By a order enclosed of 29 March last [*see* p. 57, *suprà*] you are desir to consider from what Treasury the 8,000*l.* mentioned may soon be paid for supply of the forces in Scotland, to be repaid from t first money coming in to Gurney House, which sum you are charge accordingly by warrant, and direct payment to the Treasure at-war. [*I.* 75, *p.* 210.]

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April 3. The Drake, Dover Road. **2.** Abr. Aldgate to the Admiralty Committee. On 1 April I received your warrant by Rob. Rich to go to Dieppe, and attend the service commanded by the Protector for the Pearl. I received him on board and sailed at 9 p.m., but when we were within 4 leagues, a storm arose, and it being a lee shore, and he understanding the danger we were in, was very importunate that we should secure ourselves and land him in England till better weather; so we were forced back to Dover Road, where it is a mercy that we arrived in safety. We will sail as soon as we can. [1 *page.*]

April 4. **3.** Petition of Thos. Horton, master of Queen's College, Cambridge, to the Protector. The augmentation ordered me by Parliament on account of the smallness of my maintenance is a year in arrear; I beg speedy payment of arrears, and its future continuance. [1 *page.*]

April 4. Order thereon that Fauconberg pay the arrears, and continue his augmentation, any order of restraint notwithstanding. Approved 7 April. [*I.* 75, *p.* 212.]

April 4. **4.** Petition of Dr. Lazarus Seaman, master of Peterhouse, Cambridge, to the Protector. There is 60*l.* arrears of the augmentation granted me due, and residing at Cambridge, and in a chargeable office of employment in the University, my attendance is necessary, and my means of subsistence not answerable to my expenses. I beg payment of arrears, and provision for the future. [¾ *page.*]

April 4. Order accordingly for payment by Thos. Fauconberg. Approved 7 April. [*I.* 75, *p.* 212.]

[April 4.] **5.** Petition of M. de Barrière, agent for the Prince of Condé, to Council. Had their pass for 12 horses sent to Dover to be transported to the Prince, but they are stopped because 4 of the horses are stone. Begs a pass for the 4 stone horses and the other 8. [1 *page.*]

April 4. Order thereon granting the petition. [*I.* 75, *p.* 213.]

[April 4.] **6.** Proposals by Dr. John Parker and Edw. Cressett for improvement of the forests. The principal end is advantage to husbandry and tillage, to which all commons are destructive, the issuing money for public use, the satisfaction of public faith debts, this being the only way visible for payment, and raising a revenue, which, if not done out of public things, must be done by taxes.

This can be done in good proportion, and yet the Act for sale preserved, the instrument of Government remain unaltered, public debts be paid, and a large revenue raised, and none to complain.

It should not be done by leases, which are uncertain, go to executors as chattels, and are liable to casualties. If that incomparable work of the fens had been exposed to leasing, it would never have attained such perfection. Long leases would have to be granted, on account of the very great charge of fencing, building,

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grubbing, &c., and then much profit would be lost; and if short leases were granted, people would drive the land bare, and so leave it. Satisfaction must be given for commons' interest. If half be set out to the neighbouring commoners, it is not likely they will take leases of the rest, hoping by backwardness to reduce it to its former condition, and fearing to disgust their neighbours.

The greatest difficulty is, that the instrument excepts the forests from being vested in the Protector, but confirms the Forest Act, which says they shall be sold; therefore persons would be cautious in taking leases contrary to that Act.

An Ordinance should therefore be made, setting apart half for claims, and selling the other half in fee-farm, reserving quarter of the annual value in rent; *e.g.*, if you sell 400*l.* a year, the purchaser to pay for 300*l.* in doubled money and 100*l.* in rent, which will be as much advantage as if the whole had been leased at rack rent, for such a lease would not be much above 200*l.* without a fine.

Some profit might be made of the other half set apart for claims, —the claimants' interest being less valuable than other commons (because only by sufferance, and excluding sheep), therefore the claimants would be willing to pay a quarter or one-sixth in rent.

This plan would raise 3 millions and 20,000*l.* a year, timber excluded; besides those who have inheritances should pay 1-20 value in rent for freedom from forest laws. The State's half would be sold at once, before the claims are determined.

As the former way of sending 4 surveyors and 2 officers in each set has led to much loss by their infidelity, gentlemen near should be commissioned to send an able artist who, with 2 countrymen at 12*d.* a day to carry the chains, could measure and rate the land, and set out highways and allotments to claimants; thus the work will be sooner done, and 20,000*l.* in surveyors' wages saved.

If there be any fear that this way shall not prove effectual, there might be a power in the Ordinance for leases not exceeding 21 years or 3 lives. It is to be considered whether the rate in the Act shall stand, which upon bare doubling, is too high for 14 years; but if the sale be for two-thirds public faith and one-third clear money, a sale at 14 years' [purchase] will pay 1,000*l.* debt on receipt of 500*l.* money, and so the 14 years to stand as in the Act. There are 40 forests, besides those excepted, to be disposed of; average value, 1,000*l.* a year each. [4 *pages.*]

April 4. Reference of the above proposals to the Treasury Commissioners, to speak with the Commissioners for improving forests, and report. [½ *page.*] *Also I.* 75, *p.* 211.]

April 4. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of Algernon Earl of Northumberland, Thomas Lord Coventry, and Philip Earl of Pembroke, referred to Lisle, Cooper, Wolsley, and Strickland, to report.

4. A bond entered into May 23, 1651, to the late Council of State by John Shalcross, of Shalcross, co. Derby, also by Nich. Higgen-

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botham and Anth. Leyborne, for Shalcross' appearance before Council when summoned, and doing nothing to the prejudice of the State, to be delivered up to Mr. Shalcross, to be cancelled.

6. An Ordinance appointing an oath to be administered to the Lords Chancellor, Keeper, and Commissioners of the Great Seal, read twice, and agreed to.

7. Pickering, Strickland, Montague, and Lambert to consider the Council's debate touching highways, to hear Sir Robert King therein, and report.

10. Order that no master of any college in either of the universities that has any benefice not annexed to his mastership shall have augmentation granted him. Approved 7 April.

11. The Lord President presented to the Protector the Ordinance appointing an oath to be administered to the Lords Chancellor, Keeper, and Commissioners of the Great Seal, to which these words were added, viz., the like oath for the Lord Chancellor and Lord Keeper *mutatis mutandis*, and the Ordinance was read and passed.

12. Resolved that Council approves Sec. Whitelock, Sir Thos. Widdrington, serjeant-at-law, and John Lisle to be Commissioners of the Great Seal.

13. By the Protector's command, Widdrington and Lisle were called in, when he declared that they, with Ambassador Whitelock, had been nominated Commissioners of the Great Seal, and delivered it to them, and they took the appointed oath.

14. Order that Cooper, Pickering, Wolsley, Lambert, Montague, Jones, and Desborow hear what the merchants have to offer concerning the late Excise Ordinance, and report. Cooper and Jones to tell them that Council will hear them next Thursday.

15, 16. Order that Cooper and Strickland be Commissioners to treat with the French Ambassador; and Lambert, Pickering, and Montague with the Spanish Ambassador. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 207–214.]

April 4. **7.** Reasons presented to Council by Thos. Waring, on behalf of the poor of Lancashire, for liberty to bring in cotton wool from France, Holland, &c.

The dearth of wool is worse to them this year than that of bread 3 years since, and now there are not 5 bags of wool in all the merchants' hands in Lancashire for 20,000 poor in Lancashire, who are employed in manufacture of fustians. Mr. Seed and Mr. Winstanley, who reported 150 or 200 sacks of prize wool, that they might gain time to sell their own wool, now confess that it proved 20 or 30 bags, and the sale was prohibited. Unless cotton wool be brought much lower, the manufacture will revert to Hamburg, whence our cheaper making gained it, for they can buy the wool at 6*d.* or 7*d.*, and we have to pay 18*d.* or 20*d.* Whilst we can have no supply but from the Straits, and that through the Turkey merchants, we cannot be supplied at such rates as will preserve our manufacture from ruin, as we cannot raise the price of our fustians on account of

lower prices at Hamburg, viz. 16*s.* a piece, which we cannot afford under 20*s.*, though they used to be 12*s.* or 13*s.*

We therefore beg a dispensation as regards wools from the Act, which enriches strangers and destroys the people of this nation. Such laws were better buried in oblivion than by a rigid observing, to bury alive the poor. [1 *sheet.*]

April 4. Harwich. **8.** Major N. Bourne to the Admiralty Committee. I have inquired into the assault committed by the steward of the Newcastle upon the lieutenant of the ship, about a prize taken, for which he was committed to prison, but bailed, and send his examination. The steward was the aggressor, and I doubt whether the captain's command is so well managed as it might be. Details of the case. It caused the frigate prize to lose the head and bowsprit, and will detain her here 14 days. The 2 prizes were taken, one by the Phœnix and one by the Newcastle, but the Phœnix sent out boats to seize both, and in trying to prevent this, the Newcastle's boat ran into the prize, and thus got injured. The master says what he did was by the captain's command.

There is a bad understanding between the captain and the lieutenant of the Newcastle, and the master's mate is such a vile fellow that I have ordered the captain to turn him on shore.

I have surveyed the new frigates at Woodbridge, and supplied all needs, and am now taking out the guns and provisions of the Newcastle, so as to repair the damage done to her head and bowsprit. [3½ *pages.*]

April 4. Harwich. **9.** Major N. Bourne to Robt. Blackborne. I have been too prolix in my statement to the Commissioners, but I hope sufficient will be gleaned to enable them to come to a resolution. I am sorry for the captain, but he is not to be excused, yet I would be tender of his livelihood. Tell me what is done about the French or Dutch, and forward the enclosure, as I left my wife very ill. I am going to Yarmouth about the new frigates. [1 *page.*]

April 5. Articles of the peace and union concluded between the Protector and the United Provinces of the Netherlands. [22 *pages printed. Record Office Library,* 498 *F. Coll. of Acts. Vol.* 2, *No* 85.]

April 5. **10.** Petition of the officers and soldiers late under Maj. Thos. Shilburne and Capt. John Deverill to the Protector. We have served many years in co. Bucks and elsewhere under the County Committees, and now have the happiness to return home in hopes of a blessed peace; we expected our arrears, and applied to the County Committee, but they say they have neither money nor power to raise it. We hear that there is 500*l.* in the hands of the County Sequestration Committee, raised by sale of woods in Whaddon Forest, belonging to the late Duke of Buckingham, which was assigned by Parliament to Col. Whichcote, governor of Windsor Castle, and 100*l.* raised for carrying on the militia in the county, before the battle of Worcester. We beg an order for these moneys and any we discover in other hands, co. Bucks, towards our arrears

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as Whichcote needs no more of the money, and the militia is disbanded. With reference thereon to Council. [1 *page.*]

April 5. **11.** Petition of John How, mayor, and others of the corporation of Guildford, Surrey, to the Protector and Council. By the Act of 26 June 1651, for making navigable the Wye running through our town into the Thames at Waybridge, liberty is granted to make wharfs for timber brought to or from Guildford. It was therein declared that we were the procurers of the said passage, and that it was chiefly for the good of our town, therefore we think the wharfs ought to be kept and maintained here.

But the undertakers are now obtaining much ground at Stoke next Guildford, not only for timber wharfs but for landing all goods quite out of the town, so that they will take the whole business to Stoke and other places, and impoverish us. We beg relief according to the tenor of the Act. 27 signatures. With reference to Council along with the petition of Major Pitson. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

11. I. *Order in the Committee on the case for a sitting on Tuesday next, both sides to attend.* 13 *April* 1654. [½ *page.*]

April 5. **12.** Petition of Judith Hobson to the Protector. The Council of State on my petition granted me an order of 28 July 1653 to the Receiver General for payment of the sum ordered me by the Revenue Commissioners for my arrears, on which I received 5*l.* out of the 10*l.* due, but there now being a restraint, I beg an order to Capt. Fauconberg for the other 5*l.*, having only the arrears of this annuity of 100*l.* to subsist on. With reference to Council. [1 *page.*]

April 5. **13.** Petition of John Horte and Barnard Hopkins to the Protector, for a reference of their complaint to the Army Committee at Westminster. An assessment committee in co. Somerset rated Congersbury Rectory, which proved insolvent by desertion of the incumbent, and they therefore ordered the tax to be levied on those who had not paid their tithes; this we tried to collect, but Eliz. Irish, widow, refused to pay; we distrained, and sold a horse, offering her the overplus, which she refused, sued us at law, and obtained a verdict at the last county assizes for 9*l.* and 40*s.* costs. We did nothing contrary to the Act of Parliament, yet execution will be had against us, being poor men, next term. [¾ *page.*]

April 5. Order thereon in Council referring the case to the Army Committee. [*I.* 75, *p.* 215.]

April 5. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order that the supernumeraries lately raised and added to the 5 companies of Sir Wm. Constable's regiment of foot to march into Scotland be continued until further notice, and that the Army Committee issue warrants for their payment.

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2. Pickering, Wolsley, and Jones to call to their help such persons as they think fit, and to prepare and bring in a draft of an Ordinance for ejecting scandalous ministers.

3. Also to consider of the present debate how to avoid the inconvenience of maintaining the ministers by receiving tithes, and how the same may by degrees be put into some other effectual way, without impairing the maintenance, and to report. Skippon and Montague added to the Committee.

4. Cooper, Mackworth, and Mr. Secretary to withdraw and prepare an Ordinance for adjourning the next term.

6. The report on the petition of Rich. Bingest to be made by its Committee to-morrow.

7. An Ordinance for adjourning part of Easter Term twice read, amended, and passed, but stayed.

8. Order that Geo. Payler, ordnance officer, be empowered to act as a Navy Commissioner, and receive for acting in both capacities the same salary as the other Navy Commissioners.

9. A paper of instructions to Gen. Monck, commander of the forces in Scotland, read, amended, agreed, and passed by his Highness and Council.

10. Order on a paper containing the desires of the officers of the army in Scotland, on behalf of the forces there, that in the next army establishment, addition be made of pay for governors of garrisons, and of a fit allowance of candles and fire.

11. The garrisons of the Isles of Lewis and Mull, in Scotland, to be relieved out of the north of Ireland.

12. 500 tents to be provided, and 500 more of the tents formerly bought to be inquired after, and sent with them for the forces in Scotland.

13. The Commissioners for the Administration of Justice in Scotland empowered to determine according to law to whom the dogger boats, sold by Col. Ashfield and Maj. Pepper at Aberdeen, as also the vessel taken at Dundee and sold by the officers in Sept. 1651, belong, and to take order for their disposal accordingly.

14. The proposal for putting the forces of Scotland upon one foot of account in point of pay to be considered at the passing of the next army establishment.

15. The forces in Scotland to be relieved by those resident in England, that the duty may be equally done in both nations.

16. To consider, on the passing of the next army establishment, that in case some forces be appointed to continue in Scotland without being relieved, the like encouragement may be given to such as was given to the forces in Ireland.

17. Ten ships to be appointed for the coast of Scotland, with instructions to the commanders to observe such orders as the commander in chief there shall send; those ships that lie from Shetland to Berwick, to revictual at Newcastle, and those in the Western seas at Liverpool. The Admiralty Commissioners to give orders accordingly.

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18. The chaplain residing with the Commander-in-chief to have the same allowance as a regimental chaplain in Scotland, which the Commander-in-chief is hereby authorised to allow.

19. The Commander-in-chief to be authorised to allow a secretary 10*s.* and a clerk 5*s.* a day, for dispatch of business.

20. The Protector will take order that convenient forces be quartered in the north of Ireland for assistance of the forces in the west of Scotland.

21. The Commissioners for Administration of Justice in Scotland authorised, until further orders, to moderate the decrees given out by them, as in cases where the debtors cannot procure money to pay their debts, to allow some considerable time for payment with interest, or to compel the creditors to take land at a competent rate, for satisfaction of the same.

22. The Treasurers of Scotland to pay off no forces in Scotland upon the disbanding or removal, till they have first discounted for all the provisions they can justly be charged with by the Commissaries in Scotland. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 214–17.]

April 5. **14.** Dr. Jo. Godolphin to Wm. Jessop. In the list of plunders which we send to Council, as done by those in the service, was one by Capt. Mills. I also sent you a certificate from the Prize Sub-Commissioner of Plymouth of his innocency of the charge. If you can use it in Council for Mills' indemnity, keep it; if not, return it me. P.S. The judges want to know the progress of the Commissioners for Inspection, as to a report about their salaries. [1 *page.*]

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Little Britain. **15.** Commissioners for Sick and Wounded to the Admiralty Committee. We find no orders to pay 3*l.* to Jno. Major of the Leopard, and 2*l.* to Jas. Stevens of the Sampson. We sent Major's case to the Navy Committee to examine, but they returned it without reply: not having the books, and matters of gratuity for losses not being within our province, we cannot discover any intention of fraud, but we will pay anything you order. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

15. I. *Petition of John Major for relief. Lost his clothes, worth 25l., whilst fighting the Hollander in Leghorn; and his journey home cost him 7l.* [1 *page, damaged.*]

15. II. *Petition of Jas. Stevens for payment for the loss of his clothes in fight with the Dutch. Noted in shorthand; 2l. given already.* [½ *page.*]

15. III. *Certificate by Capt. Edm. Seaman and John Garrard to Stevens' service and losses.* [⅔ *page.*]

April 6. **16.** Petition of Col. Wm. Jephson to the Protector. Has suffered as much as any for adherence to Parliament. Has had 2 orders of Parliament on Haberdashers' Hall Commissioners for his pay and also for debts he contracted in the service, to pay which he

has had to sell lands, but 973*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.* still remains unpaid, and these Commissioners are now disabled from issuing money. Begs order for this debt, and for his arrears for service in England or Ireland, out of rebel lands in Ireland or otherwise. With reference thereon to Council, 29 March 1654. [1 *page.*]

April 6. Reference thereon by Council to Major-Gen. Lambert, Sir Ant. Ashley Cooper, and Mr. Strickland, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 219.]

April 6. **17.** Petition of Edw. Keeling, merchant of London, to the Protector, for relief in the present treaty with Holland. Committed an estate worth 2,251*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.*, to Owen Powell, merchant in Rotterdam, who entrusted it to Cornelius Hartisfeild, magistrate of the town; but during the war, the states of Holland seized it. Without remedy cannot pay his debts and subsist. With reference thereon to Council, 29 March 1654. [1 *page.*]

April 6. Order in Council that the petition be laid aside. [*I.* 75, *p.* 220.]

[April 6.] **18, 18a.** Petition of Capt. John Hume, for himself and his father, Alex. Hume, of Kello, to the Protector. James, late Earl of Hume, granted my father an annuity of 22*l.* for life, for services done at great hazard and expense, but by his death, my father has been deprived of his annuity 22 years; and though he went to law for it before the Lords of Session, and had a sentence in his favour, the present Earl, by his power and influence, and by a false objection, obtained discharge from the annuity. I appealed, the annuity being the chief support of our families. Col. Lockhart, one of the judges, and a commissioner in the case, can prove that the two principal witnesses contradicted each other. We beg you to have the whole case heard, and to summon the Earl without delay, or at least to command the former judges to admit me to prove my case. With reference thereon to Commissary Gen. Whalley, Col. Goffe, and Scoutmaster Downing, to report; their report, 28 March 1654, that there should be a review, but as the petition appeals from the Court of Justice in Scotland to the supreme authority, it should be referred to Council; and further reference by the Protector, 29 March 1654 to Council. [2 *papers. The first reference is holograph, both signed.*] *Annexing,*

18. I. *Statement of proceedings in the Court of Justice at Edinburgh on the case. On Hume's appeal, the defence of James Earl of Hume was, that his father was insane at the time of making the deed in question; but the petitioner pleads that the madness is not proved, and that the statements of the witnesses contradict each other, and registers an appeal.* 16 *July* 1653. [1 *sheet.*]

[April 6.] **19.** Like petition to the Protector, to similar effect. [1 *page.*]

April 6. Reference thereon by Council to Major-Gens. Lambert and Skippon, and Col. Mackworth. [*I.* 75, *p.* 221.]

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April 6. **20.** Petition of Alexander Howe, merchant, for a protection for his ship, the Union, laden in the river and bound for Barbadoes, but she cannot proceed because her officers and men are daily pressed away. [½ *page.*]

April 6. Noted as read in Council, and laid aside. [*I.* 75, *p.* 221.]

April 6. **21.** Petition of Wm. King, for the poor yet well-affected inhabitants of Coventry and its suburbs, to the Protector. By order of the late Committee of Safety, divers houses in the suburbs were pulled down and trenches dug in the grounds, to the loss of all and ruin of some of us. After long attendance on the late Parliament, we obtained an order for 2,000*l.* out of delinquents' estates, towards our losses, which was paid to Thos. Bassnett, then treasurer for Coventry, but not by him disposed of towards our losses; and King, the greatest sufferer is in danger of ruin. We beg an order to the able inhabitants of the city, who were secured by our losses, to contribute to our relief. 49 signatures. With reference thereon to Council, 31 March 1654. [1 *sheet*] *Annexing,*

21. I. *Petition of the mayor, bailiffs, divers companies, and others of Coventry, to the Committee on losses of cities, and towns in time of war. On the great fear and danger upon the taking of Bristol, and besieging of Gloucester, we had their houses pulled down and grounds dug up, with consent of the Committee of Safety for co. Warwick and Coventry. We send particulars of our losses, and beg reparation from the estates of* 10 *papists and delinquents named. With order,* 19 *April* 1648, *for payment of* 2,000*l. from the estates of Ant. Dormer, Sir Rob. Throckmorton, Sir Wm. Andrews, Bart., and Mr. Knightley, of Orchardsbury, papists in arms.* [1 *page.*]

21. II. *Certificate of Thos. Love, mayor, and the aldermen and Committee for Coventry, to the said Committee for losses, that the corporation has sustained the loss of* 1,605*l., and other freeholders and inhabitants* 1,879*l.* 4*s.* 6*d., by demolitions for ditches and fortifications.* 21 *March* 1647–8. 15 *signatures.* [*Copy,* 1 *page.*]

21. III. *Particulars of the individual losses sustained; total,* 3,484*l.* 4*s.* 6*d. Signed by Thos. Sargentson, sheriff, and* 7 *others.* [2⅔ *pages.*]

April 6. Order thereon that the petition be laid aside, and the parties left to make application to Parliament if there be cause. [*I.* 75, *p.* 221.]

April 6.] **22.** Petition of Capt. Dan. Henchman, agent for Col. John Hewson's regiment to the Protector. Before it was known what regiment should go with you to Ireland, the Army officers engaged

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at a general council that whoever went should be paid their arrears before the discharge of any who remained in England, and this was confirmed by Parliament.

By this the regiment was much encouraged, and 1,200 officers and soldiers landed under you in Dublin. They employed me to procure their arrears of 14,000*l.*, but I could only get 5,000*l.*; therefore several have been obliged to sell their arrears at very low rates, so that the balance is only 1,600*l.*, but for this I cannot procure satisfaction. I also petitioned the Council of State for 43*l.* 1*s.* 4¾*d.*, half a year's rent of Peak manor, co. Derby, due to the regiment, but by mistake of the receiver, it was paid into the State treasury, and Council on 9 Dec. last ordered its repayment. I beg an order for this rent, and for the 1,600*l.*, or else for it to be set out in lands in Ireland in the counties of Dublin or Kildare hitherto excepted, as the rest will not exceed in value the debts charged upon them for soldiers' debentures. With reference thereon to Vincent Gookin, Major Edw. Horsman, and Jervis Bennett, 20 Feb. 1653–4; their report that the sum due to the several companies specified in Col. Hewson's regiment is 1,421*l.* 6*s.* 4½*d.*, and that they should receive it from rebels' lands in cos. Dublin, Kildare, Caterlow, or Cork, and also have the 43*l.* 1*s.* 4¾*d.*, High Peak rent, 12 March, 1653–4, and a further reference to Council, 29 March, 1664. [2 *papers.*] *Annexing,*

22. I. *Order in Parliament for the first payment of arrears since* 1645 *to be made to such as undertake service for Ireland, provided former engagements to supernumeraries be not infringed thereby.* 11 *April* 1649. [1 *page.*]

April 6. Reference in Council thereon to the Committee to whom the petition of the adventurers for Irish lands is committed, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 221.] *Annexing,*

23. I., II. *Report of the said Committee confirmatory of the above report,* 19 *April,* 1654. [2 *papers.*]

April 6. **24.** Petition of Chris. Nicolson and Rob. Ellison, merchants of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, to the Protector. In August 1652 we had 2 ships laden with pitch, tar, and timber, who, hearing of the war between England and Holland, put into the King of Denmark's harbours of Elsinore and Malstean, within command of the castle and fort, but a Holland caper took them thence, contrary to the law of nations, and the King would not have permitted it unless there had been some compact between him and the Hollanders. Our factor was told that the King was to have satisfaction for the two ships, and we beg that we may be satisfied, as other merchants in like cases have been. With reference thereon to Council, 29 March 1654. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

24. I. *Particulars of the losses in the said* 2 *ships, total,* 1,673*l.* [¾ *page.*]

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April 6. Order in Council that the petition be laid aside. [*I.* 75, *p.* 222.]

April 6. **25.** Petition of Sam. Vassel to the Protector. I endured imprisonments and loss of goods value 15,000*l.* for resisting ship money, coat and conduct money, and other illegal taxes of the late King, living in hopes of a Parliament in which I should be relieved. The late Parliament referred my case to a Committee, on whose report they voted me 10,445*l.* 12*s.* 2*d.* damages, and promised further consideration for my imprisonments, suits at law, &c., but I could never get a penny of this money, nor of the sums I lent the Parliament in Ireland. I have waited 5 years on Parliament, and now that you have the supreme power, I appeal to you. If I cannot be paid out of the public treasury, I beg leave to bring in as many French wines as will pay my debt out of the Customs and Excise; or leave to ship coals or lead enough to pay me; or to have as much forest land as will satisfy me, or any other way of payment you think fit.

With notes of the Parliament orders in the case, 1647, and of sums due to him for hire of the Mayflower and 2 other ships, and 2,591*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* lent the Parliament in Ireland for provisions sent to Lord Inchiquin, making a total, including his grant from Parliament, of 20,202*l.* 7*s.* 3*d.* [1 *sheet.*]

April 6. Order in Council that the petition be reserved and recommended to the next Parliament. [*I.* 75, *p.* 222.]

April 6. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on report of the account of Nich. Bond for entertainment of M. de Bourdeaux, the French Ambassador, that the auditors for imprest examine the account, on the balance whereof the disbursements exceed the 300*l.* received by 57*l.* 11*s.* 4¼*d.*, and report.

3. Nich. Bond to pay 5*l.* to persons who attend the Ambassador by appointment of Sir Abraham Willins, being part of the said 57*l.* 11*s.* 4¼*d.*

4. Also to pay to persons named in a paper presented, being servants attending the Ambassador, the respective sums mentioned, amounting to 40*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*, being also part of the 57*l.* 11*s.* 4¼*d.*

7. Order on petition of Capt. John Farmer, that the Army Committee state his accounts for arrears due for service in Col. Okey's regiment within the model late under Lord Fairfax. Also that the Commissioners for Accounts at Worcester House state his accounts for services preceding the said model, and report to the Army Committee, who are to give forth debentures for the whole.

8. Order on report on the petition of Mat. Lock and Jas. Chetwind, late clerks of the Irish and Scotch Committee [*see* 31 March *suprà*], that 73*l.* 10*s.* be allowed to Lock, and 37*l.* 10*s.* to Chetwind, for arrears of salary for ¾ year, and 20*l.* to Wm. Rous, to be paid from moneys in Capt. Hatsell's hands, for provisions sent to Jersey. Approved 7 April. *Annexing,*

26. I. *Report on which the above order is grounded.* [1 *page.*]

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9, 12. The Ordinance for adjourning part of Easter term read, and after some amendments, passed by his Highness and Council, and ordered to be printed, published, and sent to the sheriffs, with a letter for its proclamation. The form of the said letter agreed on.

10. An Ordinance for further doubling upon the sale of the remainder of Deans and Chapters' lands committed to the Committee to whom the former Ordinance was referred.

11. Mackworth, Cooper, Jones, Strickland, Lambert, and Skippon to be a Committee to consider the 3 drafts of Ordinances sent by Mr. Recorder to Secretary Thurloe, and to send for and advise with whom they please thereon.

13. Lord Lisle to be one of the Commissioners to treat with the French Ambassador instead of the Lord President.

14. Gen. Monk to consider Col. Roseworme who is to go with him to Scotland, and allow him out of the contingencies for Scotland what he approves, above what he has from the Council's contingencies.

15. **26a.** Order on report from the Army Committee on the petition of Capt. Robt. Swanley, late commander of the Henry Bonadventure,—employed by the State and certified to have suffered by the Governor of the port of Trapana, in Sicily, under the power of Spain (after promise of safety) and to have been surprised with the Peter, her prize, by 7 Dutch men-of-war under command of young Tromp, to the damage of 63,000*l.*,—that the first part of the report, concerning the demand of satisfaction from the Spaniards and issuing letters of reprisal, if desired, be referred to the Commissioners appointed to treat with the Spanish Ambassador; and the second part, concerning the auditing and stating of Capt. Swanley's accounts, for wages of himself and company, to the Admiralty Commissioners.

16. Strickland, Mackworth, and Cooper to consider a report from the Commissioners of Articles, concerning the salaries due to clerks and officers attending that Court, and to report.

19. Cooper and Strickland added to the Committee on the petition of Mr. Ivy and his wife.

20. Order on report of 31 March 1654, concerning Nath. Marks, merchant (who is charged with uttering false coins in Ireland),—that he should be discharged, the papers and certificates not being sufficient evidence,—that Marks and his bail be discharged accordingly. Approved 7 April.

22. The petition of Wm. Dawgs, concerning an estate of 300*l.* a year concealed from the commonwealth, referred to the Treasury Committee, to hear the petition, and report.

23. The petition and papers of Capt. Rich. White referred to the Admiralty Commissioners, to report.

24. That of Robert Earl of Ancram and Ann his wife committed to Strickland, Cooper, and Mackworth, to report.

26. Order on petition of John King that he receive fit employment under Council at the first opportunity.

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27. The petition of Susan Bowen for a pension referred to Lambert, Jones, Cooper, Mackworth, Lisle, and Strickland, to report.

30. That of Tracy Pauncefoot for restitution to the office of registrar under the Judges for Probate of Wills laid aside.

32. Also that of James Freeze, Wm. Baker, and Adam Walker.

33. That of John Brograne referred to Lisle, Mackworth, and Strickland, to prepare an Ordinance for his relief, and report.

36. The Commissioners of Customs to suffer 6 pieces of French wine, the remainder of 10 pieces shipped in the St. Nicholas of London, by Chas. Bayree, to be landed by the persons to whom they are consigned, free from seizure, on paying customs and excise. *Annexing.*

27. I. *Certificate thereon by the Customs' Commissioners* [*see* 30 *March, suprà*] *that* 4 *of the* 10 *casks are for the Protector and the remainder are sent as presents by M. de Montigny, governor of Dieppe, to his agent, John Houblon, Lord Montague, Lord Downes, Mr. Thurloe, and Peter Barr, which they are requested to permit to land on payment of customs, but being prohibited, dare not do it without an order.* 3 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

41. **28.** Order that as Sir Thos. Hartopp, and Maj. Edw. Horsman were chosen arbitrators between the inhabitants of Hamilton and Col. Thos. Waite, the said arbitrators, by consent of both parties, proceed according to the former reference; and if they do not agree, Wm. Sheild of Preston, co. Rutland, is to be umpire, and finish the whole business in 18 days.

42. Order on report touching the Savoy and Ely House, that the Excise Commissioners pay the Treasurers for sick and maimed soldiers all such moneys as,—being charged by authority of Parliament upon the Excise Treasury for their relief, and that of soldiers' widows and orphans,—are in arrear, and continue payment in future, any former restraint notwithstanding. Approved 12 April

43. Order on report by Mr. Jessop, Clerk of Council, who was to examine Wm. Dolton's proceedings about the 2 children left at Whitehall, and their disposal, that he be allowed 5*l.* out of Council's contingencies, and a warrant be issued to Frost accordingly. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 217–224.]

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Whitehall.

Council to [the sheriffs of counties]. You will receive herewith an Ordinance for adjourning part of Easter Term next coming, which you are to have proclaimed in all the usual places within your jurisdiction. [*I.* 75, *p.* 224.]

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Instructions to General Monk Commander-in-Chief of the Forces in Scotland:—

You are to repair quickly to Scotland, and learn the state of that country, particularly the Highlands, and the best way of reducing them, and to report from time to time.

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To promote the preaching of the Gospel and true religion, and to see that ministers who are qualified for their office receive their maintenance, and due protection and countenance.

To suspend any magistrates, sheriffs, or officers found incapable, to secure any dangerous, and to certify us.

To administer any oath to any person whatsoever.

To arrest and confine any opposing the Government, and to release them as you see cause.

To protect any in arms in Scotland, and grant them fit pardons (except those who are or shall be excepted from any Ordinance of grace to the people of Scotland); to make declarations and proclamations to that effect, and to assign days for such persons to come in, provided they do not extend to any having land to the value of 400*l.* a year, or property of 4,000*l.*; and to send forth any other proclamations you judge necessary.

To erect such forts as you think necessary for the security of the nation.

To reward those who bring in persons whose names are published by you for that end, and those employed to gain intelligence.

To use any printing presses for printing and publishing anything you think fit, and to prohibit their use when and where you see cause.

To charge the receipt of customs in Scotland for payment of salaries to the judges, commissioners for sequestration, and other officers, and the charges of administration of justice; the overplus of the customs, and also the moneys arising by assessments and sequestration are to be for contingencies, except so much as shall be charged monthly by the Army Committee, towards the pay of the forces in Scotland.

In case any robbery be committed and the actors escape to the enemy, you are to cause the shire wherein the act was committed to make full satisfaction; and in case of murder, to impose on the shire such fine as you think fit.

To entertain into the service of the Commonwealth, if you find it advantageous, by retrenchment of your present number, one regiment of Highlanders not exceeding 600, beside officers.

As it appears that many in Scotland encourage their friends and kindred to go in to the rebels in the Highlands with horses, money, victuals, or arms, to the prejudice of the Commonwealth, you are to impose on any so offending the like proportion of horsemen, arms, and money as was sent to the enemy, viz., for every horse 1*s.* 6*d.* a day; for a man 12*d.*; and for arms, money, and victuals proportionably; and in case full proofs be wanting of the encouragers of such persons as went to the hills, you are to charge this proportion on the parish where they lived 2 months before their going, provided the imposition remain no longer than until the persons, horse, and arms be delivered to you, or by your permission be returned to your quarters. All moneys so raised to be given in to the Treasury of Scotland.

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You shall not give leave to any officer to be wanting from his charge above 3 months at most, except by special order from us, or the major-general of the army, and no commissary of muster shall pass any in the muster after 3 months' absence.

You shall not give leave to above 2 of the colonels, one lieut.-colonel, and 2 majors, nor above 1 captain of a regiment of horse, and 2 captains of a regiment of foot to be absent at the same time.

On apprehension of any Englishman who shall be proved to have been in arms with the enemy in the Highlands, you are to cause him to be put to death.

You are to transport to foreign English plantations such of the enemies now in arms in the Highlands as shall be in your power, when and how you choose. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 225–26.]

April 6 ? **29.** Report on the petition of Rachael, widow of William McAdam, *alias* Moore,—that her husband laded 3 chests of sugar aboard Capt. Wilkes, who put them into the Custom house, Lisbon, that Geo. Wheeler got them out by counterfeiting Wilkes' hand; that she entered an action in the Sheriffs' court against Wheeler, but the hearing was prevented by an order of 2 Dec. 1653, clearing him of the suit under the name of Devilla, as being one of the Portugal ambassador's family, and that he has changed his name to Wheeler, but is the same man that took the sugar;—that the petition be sent to the Ambassador, and he asked whether Wheeler be his servant, and whether he knows of the transaction. [⅔ *page.*]

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2. Col. Mackworth reports from the Committee on the petition concerning planting English tobacco a report from the Committee of assistance to the Committee for Treasures, which was read.

3. He also reports an Ordinance impowering Commissioners to execute the Act prohibiting planting tobacco in England, which was read twice, the names of Commissioners inserted, and agreed to.

4. Col. Jones reports from the Committee on the Protector's revenue, an Ordinance for charging 100,000*l.* a year on the receipt of the Customs, which was agreed to.

5. Order on a letter of Dr. Love, Master of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, to the Protector, that Fauconbridge pay him the money in arrears for his augmentation, and continue to do so in future, any order of restraint notwithstanding. Approved 7 April.

6. Like order to pay Dr. Francis Glysseń, Professor of Physick in the University of Cambridge, all moneys in arrears for his fee. Approved 7 April.

7. On the Council's rising to day, their sittings to be adjourned till next Thursday morning.

8. Order on report from the Committee for Preservation of Customs, on the petition of Wm. Pym and Nath. Manton, for the Morlaix merchants, that 100*l.* be paid to Pym in full of disburse-

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ments for the poor English mariners at Morlaix and St. Malo, and 500*l.* to Manton, on what has been so expended by the English merchants at Morlaix, to be paid out of the Algiers duty. Approved 7 April. *Annexing,*

I. **30.** *Report alluded to, stating that Pym is willing to accept* 100l. *in lieu of* 150*l.* 9*s.* *which he has disbursed, and Marston* 500*l.* *in lieu of* 800*l.* *disbursed by merchants at Morlaix. Inner Court of Wards, Westminster.* 31 *March* 1654. [1 *page.*]

9. Order on report from the Committee for Preservation of Customs,—that 80 English mariners have been set on shore at Brest, who must serve the enemy or perish without speedy relief,—that the said Committee relieve and bring home these and such others as fall into like condition in future. Approved 7 April.

11. Order on information that Anna Trapnell, gone hence into Cornwall, does as she formerly did in those parts, asperse the Government, that Capt. Fox, dep.-governor of Pendennis Castle, apprehend and send her to Major Sanders, commander of the fort at Plymouth, to be sent up to Council.

12. Col. Jones added to the Committee on the Earl of Northumberland's petition.

13. Approval by the Protector of 11 Ordinances, 31 March to 7 April.

15. The restraint laid by the late Council of State on Constant Jessop of Wimborne, co. Dorset, from repairing to Bristol, taken off.

16. The Court of Sessions in the Old Bailey to proceed with Wm. Mettam according to law, and if they find him bailable, to act accordingly.

17. Order that as 20,000*l.* is to be paid by order of 3 April, by Col. John Barkstead to the Treasurers-at-war, for the forces in Scotland, and as the Committee for Inspections have given warrant to Ald. Allen and the Excise Commissioners to pay 8,000*l.* for the said forces, the Army Committee order the said 28,000*l.*, and also 12,000*l.* of the moneys in their hands for the said forces, to be sent to Leith in a ship to be appointed by the Admiralty Committee, for the forces, incident charges, fortifications, &c.

18. Order that the Treasurers-at-war issue the 20,000*l.* and 8,000*l.* for the said purposes. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 227–231.]

April 9.
Rye.

31. Capt. Abr. Algate to the Admiralty Committee. I received Rob. Rich and his servants on board the Drake, and embarked for the second time at Dover on the 5th, and landed him on the 6th at Dieppe. He acquainted the Earl of Bolingbroke and Lord Mandeville of our attendance upon them by your order, and next day they with their servants came on board, and were all put on shore at Rye this day, Sunday. [1 *page.*]

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1. The Ordinance for adjourning Easter Term from *Quindena Paschæ* to *Crastino Ascensionis* twice read, and being presented to and approved by the Protector, ordered to be published.

2. The Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal to issue writs to the respective sheriffs for proclaiming this Ordinance, and those prohibiting cock matches, and for better repairing highways. [*I.* 75, *p.* 230.]

[April 10.] **32, 32a.** Petition of John Bennett, commander of the Defence, to the Committee for Navy and Customs. On your verbal order, I took up provisions last November at Rotterdam of Mr. Johnson, merchant there, for my ship, value 65*l.* The money is charged on you by bill of exchange, and set over to Dan. Tanner, merchant of London, who has arrested me for it, and the trial is to be on Thursday. I beg stay of proceedings, and an order for speedy payment. With reference to the Navy Commissioners, to make out a bill for the overplus, if the vessel has been out longer than she was victualled for by the State; and if the account cannot be speedily made, to advance the captain 65*l.* on account. 13 Jan. 1651–2 orders by the Navy Committee for the said imprest, 14 and 21 Jan. 1651–2; and renewed order, 10 April 1654, for its payment to Capt. John Cox for Capt. Rich. Badiley, part owner of the Defence, who is bound in 500*l.* for the faithful account of Horatio Beverley, steward of the ship. [1 *page damaged and cancelled.* 2 *papers.*]

April 11. Ordinance by the Protector and Council empowering Sir Wm. Roberts and 5 others [being the Commissioners for appeals in Excise] to execute the Act of 1 April 1651, prohibiting the planting of tobacco in England, on account of the great prejudice arising thereby to the English plantations in foreign parts. [*Excise Coll., pp.* 131–32, *Vol.* 98, *June* 1655.]

April 11. **33.** Petition of Mary Cooke, widow, to the Protector. Obtained the report annexed on her petition, but no power in England less than his can give her relief. Begs that from a sense of her husband's eminent affection to the public, she and the orphans, her husband's brothers, may receive the benefit of their father's adventures. With reference to Council, Feb. 1653–4. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*] *Annexing,*

33. I. *Report of the Committee of Parliament for the affairs of Ireland, on petition of Mary, widow of Edw. Cooke, M.D., son and executor of Edw. Cooke, apothecary,—setting forth that he lent* 1,700*l. on the public faith, adventured* 675*l. on the Act of* 17 *Charles, for reducing the Irish rebels to obedience, and subscribed* 168*l.* 15*s. more on the Act of* 14 *July* 1643, *to encourage adventurers to make new subscriptions for towns, &c. in Ireland, of which he paid* $\frac{2}{3}$, *but the time for payment of the other* $\frac{1}{3}$, 56*l.* 5*s. elapsed*

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owing to his death, and she now begs an order to pay it in, and have lands set out therefor,—that Ald. Thos. Andrews should be empowered to receive the money, and grant her the benefit of the adventure. 5 *Sept.* 1653. *Endorsed with notes that the sum to be allowed in land for* 281*l.* 15*s. which would arise if the petition were granted is* 450*l., but that the true value of the advance money of* 168*l.* 15*s., at the rate at which bills are sold, is only* 84*l.* 7*s.* 6*d., which would be all the benefit the orphans would receive.* [1¾ *pages.*]

April 11. Reference thereon to Col. Jones, Sir Ant. Ashley Cooper, and Mr. Strickland. [*I.* 75, *p.* 233.]

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2. The Ordinance for executing the Act prohibiting the planting of tobacco in England ordered to be printed and published, the Protector's consent being received.

4. An Ordinance for the highways for this year 1654 read, and agreed to.

8. **34.** Order on report touching the purchase of Sir John Wolstenholme's House as an office for the Navy Commissioners, and on a letter from the said Commissioners, certifying that they had contracted for it at 2,400*l.* to be paid on the last of the month, and the house delivered over;—that the Admiralty Commissioners issue a warrant to the Navy Commissioners to make out a bill to the Navy Treasurers for payment. Approved 12 April.

9. Lambert, Mackworth, Skippon, and Jones to confer with fit persons of the city concerning an estimate from the Lord Mayor of the charge of supporting the ruinous parts of Paul's, and the disposing of the said church for the best safety of the city, and to report.

10. The petition of the Lord Mayor and aldermen of London, concerning the reduction of the number of coaches and coachmen, referred to Lambert, Cooper, Mackworth, and Jones, to report.

11. Gen. Monck to be empowered to pay 40*l.* out of the contingencies of Scotland to Col. Roseworme, as advance towards his journey to Scotland.

12. The Committee on Col. Roseworme's petition to prepare and offer to Council to-morrow the draft of an order for satisfying his arrears out of such discoveries as he shall make.

14, 15. Order on a letter from the Portuguese Ambassador about Wm. Metham, that Serjeant Steele, Recorder of London, certify to Council what proceedings were had by the Court of Sessions in the Old Bailey concerning Metham, in pursuance of the order of Friday last.

16. Order on a report from the Treasury Commissioners, that 500*l.* be paid to John Embree, for the repair and fitting of Whitehall, out of the monies on the Ordinance for probate of wills, and that a warrant be issued to the treasurer, Lieut.-Col. Rich. Sankey. Approved 12 April. *Annexing,*

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35. I. *Report on which the said order is founded.* 4 *April* 1654. [⅔ *page.*]

17. The report from the Commissioners for Accounts and Debts concerning John Reading referred to Strickland, Mackworth, and Jones, to report.

18. The Scotch Committee to consider the best way to execute the resolves of April 5, in answer to the desires of the officers in Scotland.

20. The table of fees touching probate of wills and granting administrations to be continued till further order; Lieut.-Col. Rich. Sankey appointed keeper of the seal and treasurer of the profits.

21. The judges for probate of wills, to appoint two of themselves to take account of the fees received in that Court, and to consider the certificate concerning the said accounts of 7 Oct. 1653, and to take care that any overplus arising from whatever cause be duly accounted for; they are empowered to examine witnesses on oath touching the premises, to cause the moneys they shall find due to be paid, and to allow incident charges. The judges may settle or reduce the number of clerks and officers in the Court, and may imprison any who wilfully disobey its orders. Approved 12 April. [*I.* 75, *p.* 232–236.]

April 11. Whitehall. Pres. Lawrence to Major Wm. Butler and John Mansell, justices of peace for co. Northampton. The Protector and Council having received information concerning words spoken against the Protector by Thos. Cockett, shoemaker, and John Allen, junior, husbandman, both of Dingley, co. Northampton, we have referred the matter to you to examine both parties and report; if necessary you are to bind them over to appear before Council. Enclosed is the original information. [*I.* 75, *p.* 236.]

April 11. Whitehall. Pres. Lawrence to Capt. Fox, Deputy Governor of Pendennis Castle, Plymouth. Council having received information touching Anna Trapnell in Cornwall, we have enclosed this order, your part of which you are to execute quickly. [*I.* 75, *p.* 237.]

April 11. Whitehall. Pres. Lawrence to Major Sanders at Plymouth. Council having directed Capt. Fox to apprehend Anna Trapnell, and deliver her to you, you are to send her to Portsmouth, to be there disposed of as the enclosed order directs. [*I.* 75, *p.* 237.]

April 11. Whitehall. Pres. Lawrence to the Governor of Portsmouth. Council having ordered Anna Trapnell to be delivered into your charge at Portsmouth, you are to dispose of her as the enclosed order directs. [*I.* 75, *p.* 237.]

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1. Approval by the Protector of 6 orders, 6–11 April.

2. The petition of Capt. Rich. Moyse referred to Col. Goffe, Lieut.-Col. Worsley, Major Packer, and Capt. Gladman, to report.

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3. An Ordinance to be prepared for settling on Mr. Heynes so much land in Scotland as may answer the 100*l.* a year granted him by the late Council of State.

4. An additional Ordinance for the Excise referred to the Committee on the former Ordinance.

5. Whereas by order of 17 Feb. last the profits of clerks of the peace of co. Lancaster were sequestered into the hands of Lieut.-Col. Worsley, and he was to appoint fit persons for the office, but Jos. Rigby refuses to give up the books, and thus defeats the intent of the order, Rigby is to be summoned before Council to answer his contempt.

6. An Ordinance of grace and pardon for the people of Scotland was read the third time, and—after a clause added for 400*l.* a year to be settled on the widow of William Duke of Hamilton for life, and then to be equally divided among their 4 daughters, and the blanks filled up—agreed to, and passed. *Annexing,*

36. I. *Full report of the Committee for removing obstructions, on a reference of* 11 *Jan.* 1653–4, *on the respective claims of the Duchess of Hamilton and Lieut.-Gen. Monk to the barony of Keneel, Scotland.* [11⅔ *pp.*]

36. II. *Report of a Committee of Council on the above that Monk's interest therein should remain undisturbed, the settlement in* 1649 *being after Duke Hamilton's invasion of England, whereby his estate in the barony became confiscate. Yet, as the duchess' father paid with her* 16,000*l.*, *which was spent in paying Duke James's debts whereof the State has now the benefit, the duchess should have lands in Scotland value* 400*l. a year, to be divided among her daughters after her death. It cannot be charged on Duke James's estate, lest the grant to his daughters be infringed, but must be settled elsewhere.* [1½ *pp.*]

7. The Ordinance for uniting Scotland into one commonwealth with England read the second time, the blanks therein filled up at the table, and passed by the Protector.

8. An Ordinance for erecting Courts Baron in Scotland read a third time, passed by his Highness, and both ordered to be printed and published.

9. Also an Ordinance for settling several estates in Scotland in trustees, to the uses therein mentioned.

10. Also an Ordinance consented to by his Highness, touching surveyors of highways. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 238–239.]

April 12. **37.** Ordinance for uniting England and Scotland into one commonwealth. His Highness—considering how this union, after these unhappy wars, would tend to the glory of God and peace of the nation, and that in December 1651, Parliament sent commissioners to the people of Scotland to invite it, who by elected deputies consented to it,—ordains by advice of Council that all the people of Scotland and the Orkney and Shetland Isles be constituted into one commonwealth with England, and that in every Parliament 30 persons serve for Scotland.

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That they be all discharged of any allegiance pretended to be due to Charles Stuart, and that he, James Stuart, called Duke of York, and all issue or claimants under the late King be disabled from holding the crown of Scotland.

All kingly offices, and right of the 3 estates in Scotland to assemble is taken away.

The St. Andrews' Cross of Scotland, is to be received into the arms of this commonwealth, and all official seals in Scotland to carry the arms of this commonwealth.

All goods to pass custom free between the 2 countries, and all prohibitions of imports and exports in England to hold good in Scotland.

All taxes to be borne henceforth proportionably by the whole people of the united commonwealth.

To abolish vassalage in Scotland, all owners of land are to hold them by deed, charter, patent, or enfeoffement, to be renewed on the death of the heritor, by rent only, without other duty save heriots, fines not to exceed one year's value, and doing the service appointed by an Ordinance for erecting Courts Baron in Scotland.

The heritors are discharged from appearing in their lords' superior courts of justiciary, regality, barony, &c., and from all military service and personal attendance on their lords, and all casualties of wardship, marriage, compositions for entries, &c., the present tenor of any of their deeds, patents, &c., notwithstanding.

All forfeitures, escheats, rent, bastardy, &c., which formerly fell to the King are now to fall to the Lord Protector. [*Printed*, 8 *pp.*]

April 12. **38.** Report by the Admiralty Judges to Council. In our report on your order of 8 Dec. 1653, we said that the goods of Jacob Carolos of the Hague, taken in the Prophet Elias, were good prize; but since we have had proof that though Carolos, *alias* Palache, was born at the Hague, his father was ambassador there from the King of Morocco, and died there, and that therefore Carolos is a subject not of Holland but of the King of Morocco, where his ancestors have been for ages, and is a Jew, had been minister from the King to Denmark, and was going as such to the Hague, and thence to Rochelle on his way home. Therefore, if the goods in the Prophet Elias belong to him, they ought in justice to be restored. [1 *page.*]

April 12. **39.** Request by Geo. Griffith, master, Rich. Mayor, warden, and the Vintners' Company of London, to the Protector and Council. Thanks for your intentions to set prices on all wines, in gross and by retail. We request that they be not set before 25 March next, because,—

1. We have now such store of wines, bought at high prices, as will last 18 months, for we do not sell $\frac{1}{3}$ of what we did, which may appear at the Custom House.

2. We stored ourselves because of the danger of the sea, and lately there have been so many intruders that unless we take the

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first of the market, we cannot get good wines, and if we have to sell them under cost price, we shall be ruined.

3. Formerly Council used to call the merchants and vintners before them 1. Jan., and fix the prices, allowing the vintners $\frac{1}{3}$ gain, because of loss by leakage, lees, and keeping.

4. We beg to have the same $\frac{1}{3}$, and allowance for the great tax of Excise, which was not in former times. 5 signatures. [1 *sheet.*]

April 12. **40.** Petition of the merchants of London trading in wines to Council. Thanks for your allowing us to discharge ourselves of what is imputed to us in a petition to his Highness last March, about settling the prices of wines. We think our representations made for 3 years past would do more to bring down the price of wines than what these petitioners propose. We know not what they mean by wines raw and unboiled. As to unwholesome wines, it is for the Lord Mayor and aldermen to provide a remedy. As to payment, it may be left to the merchants, who are only forced to pay half in coin proceeding from the sale of our manufactures, not in English coin. But when the merchants are limited to 30 or 40 days for relading, they must take such wines as they can get, or return empty.

The prizing of wines used to be in December, not March, and calculated at a moderate profit on the vintage, but the vintners constantly try to beat down the prices. The merchants should be protected, as their whole estates are employed in wines bought with the proceeds of English manufactures. Unless our privileges granted by Parliament are confirmed, we cannot continue our trade. The imposts and charges of our wine have increased 40*s.* a tun, besides 14*s.* for convoy and 6*l.* for excise, so that unless it is provided that we be paid our full prices, we shall be undone.

We beg his Highness's help, and if retail prices are fixed, we beg wholesale prices may be fixed also, or we shall be undone, our ships and seamen will have to seek foreign employment, and the fishing trade will be mostly lost, unless the returns can be taken in wines. 7 signatures. [$\frac{1}{4}$ *sheet.*]

[April 13.] **41.** Petition of Thos. Bunce, prisoner in the Tower, to the Protector. His former petition for liberty being referred to Council, but not obtained, he begs compassion for his sad condition and a new reference. His greatest burden is that his folly has subjected him to their displeasure, though caused by youth and ignorance, not by design against his country. A pardon and liberty would be considered an obligation to duty, and to a wise, humble, and inoffensive walk. With reference thereon to Council, 29 March 1654. Noted as read and laid aside, 31 March. [1 *sheet.*]

April 13. Order that he be released on security to the Lieut. of the Tower for his appearance on demand. [*I.* 75, *p.* 240.]

April 13. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mr. Maidstone and Mr. Waterhouse authorised to see the plate (provided on the Commonwealth's account for the Protector's use)

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exactly weighed, and receive it into their charge, and return to Council an inventory as to its sort and weight.

2. Pickering, Strickland, and Jones to consider the best way for keeping an account of all plate and goods bought on the commonwealth's account for the Protector's use, and to report.

3. Order on information of words spoken by Sam. Ball in scandal of the Protector, that Sir Wm. Roberts and other justices of peace for Middlesex examine the matter, and proceed according to law.

4. Cooper and Mackworth to examine David Baree and 2 others in custody, about whom papers were now delivered by the Protector, and to order them to be secured till Council's further pleasure.

5. Cooper and Mackworth to prepare, with assistance of Secretary Thurloe, votes against to-morrow morning, upon to-day's debate concerning forests, and to offer them.

6. **42.** An Ordinance to be brought in to continue the suspension of the judges' proceedings in the Act for relief of creditors and poor prisoners a month longer; and Justice Atkins and Baron Thorpe to prepare something to offer to Council upon the said Act.

7. The Lieut. of the Tower to recall John Archer to his prison there, and detain him, according to the order of his commitment.

10. An Ordinance to be prepared for the Commissioners in Ireland to set forth lands in Ireland value 400*l.* a year to Col. Rob. Hammond, in lieu of the 400*l.* payable by the revenue, further payment whereof is thereupon to be discharged.

13. Order on a paper delivered by the Remembrancer of the City [about St. Paul's Church], that Strickland and Mackworth inform themselves of the matter, and speak with the trustees for sale of Deans and Chapters' lands, and report. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 240–242.]

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The Middleborough, Fowey.

43. Capt. Wm. Godfrey to the Admiralty Committee. Cruising in company with the Portsmouth and Falmouth, we engaged with a fleet of 46 ships from St. Malo bound for Spain and Newfoundland, fought with them from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., took 2, sunk their rear-admiral, and put the rest to flight. I lost one man, and had three wounded, and am much damaged in my masts, hull, rigging, and sails. I want 30 more men; 130 are not enough for 40 guns.

I hear by a ship from Leghorn that all the Hollanders in the Straits have laid down their commissions except the St. Peter and the St. Mark, which are out, but will do the same when they come in. I wish to appoint Thos. Smith, steward's mate, as steward, for the one sent is continually on shore. The two prizes we have brought in are much damaged in the fight, as is also that brought in by the Falmouth. I will make for Plymouth with all expedition. [1½ *pages.*]

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44. Capt. Robert Mill to the Admiralty Committee. To the same effect as the preceding. We could not board the ships owing to the weather, but I sunk two myself, and brought in another, and we spoiled most of the remainder. My masts, sails, and rigging being much damaged, I was forced to put into Fowey with the Middleborough, but will hasten to Plymouth for repairs. I have not heard of the Portsmouth, or what she did in the action, but I hear of 5 ships being sunk and 3 taken. [1¼ *pages.*]

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45. Petition of Elizabeth, widow of Hen. Moore, of York, to the Protector. Her husband, being a tradesman, laid out his estate to the uttermost in the service, and lent 80*l.* in 1645 to Col. Geo. Stockdale to raise a regiment for Parliament; part of it was borrowed, for which she has to pay interest. Stockdale had a testimonial from the Estates of Scotland for his good service, and an order for 400*l.* out of the money to be paid them by the Parliament of England, but died without receiving it, and has left his wife very poor, only relieved by a pension. He left her the said order, and begged that petitioner, who is very poor, and has 4 children, might be paid therefrom. Begs payment. With reference thereon to Major-Gen. Lambert and Mr. Strickland. [1⅓ *pages.*] *Annexing,*

45. I. *Their report thereon that Stockdale served under Lord Fairfax, but was cashiered for misdemeanour; that he then entered the Scotch army, raised* 200 *men, and oppressed several places in the north by quartering, and that they cannot be satisfied that he did any eminent service.* [1 *page.*]

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46. Petition of Thos. Gallilee, merchant of London, to the Protector. Is owner of the Relief of London, in which his son Thomas went as master into the Straits, and was hired into the Doge of Venice's service, but the ship was lost and he taken, and cannot be released from the galleys without payment of a large sum, which petitioner cannot procure, unless the Venetians pay him for the ship and service. Petitioned the late Council of State in May last, and an order was made [4 June, *see* Calendar], to insist with the Venetian agent for full satisfaction, but nothing has been done. Begs an effectual order for his son's release, and satisfaction for the ship, goods, and wages. With reference thereon to Council, 31 March 1654. [⅔ *pages.*] *Annexing,*

46. I. *Draft of the said petition.*—6 *March* 1653–4. [⅔ *page.*]

46. II. *Thos. Gallilee, jun., to his father, Thos. Gallilee, Finch Lane, London. I am a most miserable slave, but if released, would be as diligent in pleasing you as I have been disobedient in crossing you. The ship owes me* 3,000 *dollars for what I laid out on her, and my goods and money when she was burned were worth* 3,000 *more. The ship itself was worth* 12,000 *ducats, and had* 16 *or* 18 *months' provisions on board. Particulars of the ship's*

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accounts. My ransom was promised for 1,500 *dollars. The bearer, Mr. Cass, will tell you how to get me out of this miserable captivity. Pray repay him* 10 *dollars which he has lent me. Sito, the Galley,* 10 *Aug.* 1653. [1 *page.*]

46. III. *Thos. Gallilee to his father. Ship accounts;* 6 *or* 7 *days before I was put to the galleys, my Lord Ambassador could have ransomed me for* 1,500 *dollars, and asked of my estate in England; I said I had nothing but what you might give except a quarter of the freight of the ship, which was my own; this I offered to make over to him, but there was not time to get securities or treat with the Janizzaries. I have sent a supplicat to the Senate of Venice to release me by exchange or ransom, which, if they neglect, it will be because they owe me so much. For God's sake forgive my undutiful actions; take me into favour, and order my release. Sito,* 21 *Sept.* 1653. [1½ *pages.*]

April 14. Whitehall. **47.** Order on the petition to recommend the Venetian agent to make effectual endeavours for the release of Thos. Galilee, jun., and for payment to him of 4,177*l*, 9*s*. 6*d*. freightage; 1,600*l*., value of the ship, and 1,500*l*. lost in the ship. [1 *page. Also I.* 74, *p.* 241.]

April 14. **48.** Petition of William Earl of Salisbury to the Protector, on his own behalf and that of many poor persons, that the restraint named in the order of the Council of State of 6 June last may be taken off, and the money received according to the order of 13 Nov. 1652, which will prevent the said poor people from perishing. With reference thereon to Council, to satisfy the petitioner and the poor concerned therein, 22 Feb. 1653–4. [¾ *page.*] *Annexing,*

48. I. *Petition of William Earl of Salisbury to Parliament. The late Parliament on* 25 *Dec.,* 1651, *on report from the committee of Obstructions on my interest for two lives in Theobalds' house and park, and Cheshunt, and Enfield Parks, ordered me* 5,360*l*. 18*s*. 4*d*. *out of the first moneys raised by sale of delinquents' lands, which I accepted, though much less than my claim. But on* 18 *Nov.,* 1652, *Parliament transferred the payment to Goldsmiths' Hall, to be paid out of* ⅔ *of Papists' estates, which the Treasurers cannot do without your further order. It is now* 4 *years since I had any advantage from the premises, and many interested therein under me are in a sad condition. I beg speedy payment, all like interests having been long since satisfied.* [⅔ *page.*]

48. II. *Order in Parliament, on report prefixed from the Committee of Obstructions, allowing the said sum.* 25 *Dec.* 1651. [6⅔ *pages.*]

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48. III. *Orders in debate on the bill for sale of delinquents' lands, that the moneys therefrom are to be left free for public uses, and that the provisoe touching the Earl of Salisbury is not to stand.* 17 *and* 22 *Sept.* 1652. [1 *page.*]

48. IV. *Order in Parliament for payment of the sum from the growing revenue on Papists' estates,* 18 *Nov., and order by the Committee for Compounding,* 24 *Nov.* 1652 *accordingly.* [2 *pages.*]

48. V. *Rich Sherwin and John Leech, Goldsmiths' Hall treasurers, to the Committee for petitions. The reason why we cannot pay the money to the Earl of Salisbury is that, by an order of the Council of State of* 6 *June last, we are to pay no moneys except by order from Council or the Commissioners for inspecting the Treasuries. The said Commissioners we hear have only power to issue moneys for the Navy, so that we cannot regularly make the payment, unless that order be superseded by an order of Parliament or of the Council of State. Goldsmiths' Hall,* 24 *Nov.,* 1653. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

48. VI. *Order in the Committee for petitions for Col. Rous to recommend to Parliament that the order of restraint be taken off, and the moneys paid as ordered by Parliament, many poor being in a sad condition for want thereof.* 9 *Dec.* 1653. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

April 14. **49.** Reference of the petition by Council to the Treasury Commissioners, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 241.]

April 14. **50.** Petition of Capt. Hen. Peck to the Protector. By orders of Parliament, 4,281*l.* 18*s.* 4$\frac{1}{2}$*d.* was assigned to my father, in recompense of an estate disposed of by Parliament to Col. Massey, but after payment of a small part only, on 21 Dec. 1648, it was stopped on a bare motion, which is without precedent in Parliament. After tedious attendance, Col. Jas. Temple was ordered to report the case to the House, but he seldom attended, and that Parliament was dissolved before report. Being made assignee to my father, I petitioned the late Parliament, but it too was dissolved before report. I beg, for the sake of my father's wounds and expenses in the service, and the multitude of his children, that the stay may be removed and he may be paid. With reference thereon to the Committee for Obstructions, to certify, 25 Jan. 1653–4. Also second reference on their report to Council, to prepare an Ordinance for his enjoying the orders of Parliament till paid his whole debt, 29 March 1654. [1$\frac{1}{4}$ *sheet.*]

April 14. Reference thereon by Council to Col. Sydenham, Col. Mackworth, and Sir Ant. Cooper, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 242.]

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[April 14.] **51.** Petition of the owners and inhabitants within the precincts of Christ's Church Close, Norwich, to the Committee of Council to whom the business of the city and close of Norwich is referred. We have always had a peculiar jurisdiction distinct from the city, which encouraged us to give high prices for Dean and Chapter's lands, and if deprived thereof, the purchasers will suffer much, and many could not maintain their families, but would be turned out; and not being free of the city, nor able to purchase their freedom, would have to beg their bread; yet we hear that the Common Council of Norwich has petition for jurisdiction over us. 54 signatures, of which 7 are by mark. We beg the continuance of our jurisdiction. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

51. I. *Seventeen reasons why the close of Norwich should be continued in the peculiar jurisdiction which it has held for* 400 *years.* 13 *March* 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*]

April 14. Order in Council that an Ordinance to enlarge the jurisdiction of the city of Norwich, and precincts of the palace, now read, be laid aside. Also to advise his Highness that a commission issue under the Great Seal to two persons of the city, and two of the county of Norwich, with Dr. Barber, to be justices of peace within the precincts of the palace of the late Bishop of Norwich. Skippon and Mackworth to attend with the names of fit persons. [*I.* 75, *p.* 244.]

[April 14.] **52.** Report by Ald. John Fowke, and Geo. Glapthorne, on the order of 10 March 1653–4, about disposal of the forests.

1. That the State's part be let on leases, for not more than 21 years or 3 lives, on rents not under the surveyed value (except allowances for fencing, ditching, &c. This will accommodate poor as well as rich, raise a standing revenue, and thus abate taxes.

2. That such part of the woods (reserving timber fit for the Navy) be sold as any will purchase for ready money, and at short times for payment, reserving fee farm rent or not, and where it is reserved, abating the value in the purchase, and these fee farms will add to the standing revenue.

If the woods be not shortly so let or sold, his Highness and Council or Parliament should give further directions for their disposal, by letting in public faith debts, &c. [⅔ *page.*]

[April 14. **53.** Statement by the same of how these propositions may be made practicable,—

1. The claims of all interested in the forests to be determined in the Exchequer or elsewhere, jointly or particularly for each lordship or township.

2. To authorize commissioners under the Great Seal, with power to make them able, and encouragement to make them willing to improve the forest lands:—

(1.) To hold frequent meetings at different places.

(2.) To assign the lands and woods to claimants, and have them

fenced off, ½ the charge to be borne by the claimant, and the other ½ by the State.

(3.) To appoint surveyors speedily to value the houses, lands, woods, &c., discover and report damages, and return maps thereof.

(4.) To set out highways and passages from the towns and lands to be enclosed.

(5.) To compound with trespassers for damages, and if they do not satisfy, to prosecute them, in order to prevent the like in future.

(6.) To let or sell new unlawful erections or enclosures, and all the other premises.

(7.) To signify what is let or sold, that the leases may pass under the Great Seal at moderate charge.

(8.) To pay fees, salaries, and incident charges from the money raised.

(9.) To observe the further directions of his Highness, Council, or Parliament. [1 *page.*]

April 14. Order thereon in Council:—

1. That forest lands be improved with all speed.

2. That the sale of forest lands according to the rules prescribed in the Act is on trial found impracticable.

3. That the best way for improving them will be to have the just claims of all persons determined, and the right of the commonwealth ascertained.

4. That therefore a commission shall issue under the Great Seal to several persons, with fitting instructions, to hear and determine claims, or to transmit them to the Court of Exchequer, and for setting out the portions of estates by bounds, and leasing or selling such proportions, &c.

5. That several commissions with instructions issue out to several sets of commissioners according to so many divisions as the forests shall be cast into, that there may be more speedy improvement therein.

6. That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Ordinance for taking the forest lands out of the hands of the trustees therein named for disposing of them as in the former votes, and for preparing instructions as aforesaid, &c.

7. Cooper, Lambert, Mackworth, and Montague to prepare an Ordinance on these votes, and advise with the Judges, counsel, or others. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 245–6.]

April 14? **54.** Notes of alterations and amendments suggested in the Ordinance for surveying forests,—

Also of a proviso to be added that it shall not interfere with the following forests, Needwood, cos. Derby and Stafford; Kingswood chace, co. Gloucester; Ashdown, or Lancaster great park, Sussex nor Sherwood, cos. Notts and Derby. Nor with any of the lands, &c.,

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the late King, Queen, or Prince already conveyed by or contracted for with the trustees for the sale thereof, if part or all the purchase money has been paid. [2¼ *pages.*]

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3. The petition of Ann Howard, daughter of Sir Charles Howard, referred to Sydenham, Strickland, and Cooper, to report.

4. That of Sir Arthur Loftus referred to the Committee on the adventurers for land in Ireland, to report.

6. The draft of an Ordinance touching the minister of York, and Peter's School, referred to Lambert, Strickland, and Cooper, to confer with the trustees for sale of Deans' and Chapters' lands, and to report.

7. Order on report from the Committee on Mary Cooke's petition, and a report from the Committee of Parliament for Ireland, that Ald. Thos. Andrews be appointed to receive from her 56*l.* 5*s.*, the remaining ⅓ of 168*l.* 5*s.* subscribed by Ed. Cooke, her late husband, son and executor of Ed. Cooke, M.D., on credit of the order of Parliament of July 14, 1643, for encouragement of Adventurers to make new subscriptions for towns, cities, and lands in Ireland; also to give the petitioner acquittance in the usual form, notwithstanding the time for payment is elapsed, which is to be allowed by the Committee.

9. Cooper, Sydenham, and Strickland to treat with the purchasers of the honours, manors, and royalties of Hampton Court, for redeeming them for the Protectors use.

10, 11. Also to treat with Mr. Thomson in like manner for the little park at Windsor Castle, and with others who have bought any lands of the King, Queen, or Prince which it may be useful to repurchase for the Protector, and to report. Mr. Embree the surveyor to attend and prosecute the said services as directed by the said Committee.

16, 17. Order on information that divers inhabitants of Kingston and places adjacent have entered on part of the meadows belonging to Hampton Court, and are about fencing them in, that the Committee for Obstructions examine and take order therein, Mr. Embree attending them. Also that he repair thither, and require them at their perils to forbear fencing in.

18. Order on the petition of Capt. John Farmer to the Protector, that the Army Committee state his accounts for arrears in Col. Okey's regiment within the model under Lord Fairfax, and give debentures for them. Also that the Worcester House Committee state his accounts for preceding services, and give like debentures, and that the trustees for sale of the late King's lands accept them, and give him bonds thereon for purchase of the said lands, as to the rest of the army.

19. The business of the Marshalsea referred to Chief Justice Rolle, and Justices Aske and Atkins, to report.

21. An Ordinance for the adjudication of several ships and vessels of the enemy seized in or brought into Scotland read, and committed to the Committee for Scotland.

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22. An Ordinance for relief of debtors in Scotland, in some cases of extremity, read and committed to the Committee for Scotland, who are to advise with counsel thereon.

23. The petition of Ed. Dendy, Serjeant-at-Arms referred to Lambert, Sydenham, and Mackworth, to report.

25. Order on a paper containing the desires of Col. Thos. Pride for his regiment of foot, being to march to Scotland :—

(1.) That the Treasury Committee, consulting with the Army Committee, consider how to pay their 800*l.* arrears, now charged on Goldsmiths' Hall.

(2.) That the Army Committee issue warrants to advance them a month's pay.

(3.) That they add to them a gunsmith and mate, a surgeon's mate, refurnishing the chest, and a drummer for each company.

(4.) **57.** That the Admiralty Committee order him 100 pikes 200 muskets, 600 swords, 10 halberts, and 2 barrels of powder out of the stores.

(5.) That he be authorised to buy 1,000 snapsacks for the regiment.

(6.) That Major-Gen. Desborow order some horse to secure Exeter Castle till some foot can be sent, as Pride's regiment is leaving.

(7.) That the Governor of Portland Castle send a file of his foot soldiers to Brownsea Castle, as Pride's soldiers are leaving. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 241–47.] *Annexing,*

57. I. *Col. Pride's requests for most of the above supplies, and also for tents for his regiment.* [1 *page.*]

57. II. *Shorthand notes of the above.* [1 *page.*]

57. III. *Further requests for* 10 *soldiers from each of the companies in town for recruits, and for* 600 *swords. With note that Capt. Farmer wants his business called for, as it detains him from his charge.* [*Scrap.*]

April 14.
Whitehall.

Council to Rob. Shafton, high sheriff of Northumberland. We have received yours from Morpeth of 5 April, imparting that a party of the enemy's horse lately came over the borders and infested the northern counties. To prevent further inconvenience, and secure the borders, the Protector has ordered thither divers troops, under Capt. Howard, who has instructions to use his best endeavours for these ends. Ordered to be communicated to Wm. Fenwick, Robt. De la Valle, and other justices of peace of the county. [*I.* 75, *p.* 243.]

April 14.
Little Britain.

58. Commissioners for relief of Sick and Wounded to the Admiralty Committee. An account has been passed by the Navy Commissioners, which the treasurer refuses to pay without our order. We have examined the accounts and the accountant, Simon Blackmore, for disbursements for sick and wounded for two months, at Ports-

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mouth, and find that 2,300*l.* was imprested to him, and that he has expended 2,223*l.* 6*s.* 10*l.*, viz., 880*l.* for quarters, 325*l.* to nurses, which is much for so little time; 40*l.* transport and clothes, 580*l.* to surgeons; 75*l.* to the accountant for travelling charges and for wages for himself at 10s., and his man 2*s.* a day for 93 days; and 320*l.* imprest to officers and soldiers for relief during sickness and wounds. Few bills were produced, being cancelled by the Navy Commissioners, and though we think the accounts high, we can do nothing, as they are already passed. There is still a balance of 70*l.* 14*s.* due to the State. With order of the Navy Commissioners, 18 April, that one of the Commissioners for Sick and Wounded is to attend them with the papers and vouchers on Thursday next. [1¼ *pages.*]

April 14. The Pearl, Downs. **59.** Capt. Ben. Sacheverell to the Admiralty Committee. I am still plying in the Narrow, between Dover and Calais, with the Merlin, Drake, and Nonsuch, but have not seen any of the enemies' ships. We stayed some Hamburghers and Lubeckers on suspicion, in Dover Road, but they are cleared. I convoyed some rich merchant ships from Dunkirk, but being windbound there for several days, I could not attend the Protector's order to sail for Dieppe, and transport the Earl of Bolingbroke and Lord Mandeville to England.

Six merchant ships in the service have arrived from the fleet at Portsmouth, also Rear-Admiral Badiley, in the Vanguard. The private men-of-war infesting these parts do much injury by enticing away seamen, and raising mutinies when officers are sent to press for the State. One of them, commanded by Capt. Welsh, lately forced the captain of a Lubecker to give a bill on a merchant of Dover to pay him a large sum for his freedom, although he had the General's pass; but on complaint made to me, I had the business heard before the Prize Commissioners, who released the Lubecker from any further trouble. The privateers spoil all they can, whether free or unfree vessels. [2 *pages.*]

April 15. **60.** Request by Edw. Bulstrode to Council. I want a like order for payment to the judges of Carnarvon, Merioneth, and Anglesea, in North Wales, of their salaries of 250*l.* a year, now 1½ years in arrear, as lately made to those in South Wales. But as his Highness, on 20 March 1653–4, charged all the salaries of the judges in Wales on the customs to be paid, 25 December and 24 June, beginning next June, the arrears will be but 1¼ years, viz., 312*l.* 10*s.*, there having been but one judge this last year for that part of North Wales.

I was also sent down last January by special commission to Warwick, for a general gaol delivery, where I was at 30*l.* expense and great pains, the prisoners being many and the offences great, as appears by the calendar. I also want a warrant for renewing my commission, the time of summoning the great sessions being near. [1 *page.*] *Annexing.*

60. I. *Certificate by Thos. Fauconberg that Bulstrode's last payment was Michaelmas* 1652, *and that* 375*l. is due to him for* 1½ *years' salary.* 14 *April* 1654. [½ *page.*]

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60. II. *Calendar of prisoners in Warwick Gaol, 2 Jan.* 1653–4, *and their sentences, &c., viz.:—*

7 *to be hanged:* 2 *for murder,* 1 *for horse stealing,* 2 *for theft,* 1 *for burglary.*

2 *to be pressed to death for horse stealing.*

20 *to be released on paying fees.*

5 *to be continued in prison on suspicion, without bail.*

1 „ „ *till good bail is found.*

1 *to be set on the pillory the* 4 *next market days, for collecting moneys on a license which he had forged, and then to be kept in the house of correction till next assizes.* [1 *sheet.*]

[April 15.] **61.** Request for a like order for 250*l.*, due to Wm. Littleton, late chief justice of cos. Carnarvon, Merioneth, and Anglesea, for 1652, at the time of his death. [$\frac{1}{3}$ *page.*]

April 16. The Primrose, Inverness. **62.** Capt. Jno. Sherwin to the Admiralty Committee. I conveyed two vessels with lime and brought 3,000*l.*, 10 tons of cheese, biscuit, powder, ball, &c., for Col. Morgan, but I am surprised that a nimble vessel like this should be employed to carry luggage, when 40 sluggish vessels are doing nothing.

As for news, Col. Morgan lies 20 miles off, with a considerable party of horse and foot, on the River Tayn, the enemy being on the other side, in Sutherland and Caithness, advancing their levies, which increase but slowly, though they force the generality of the people. They have got on a neck of land, and if they have but a stomach to fight with us as they have one with another, the roguish gang will be dissipated. There is like to be good order and discipline among them when their chiefs fight single hand one with the other for superiority. [1 *page.*]

April 17. Yarmouth. **63.** Major Wm. Burton to the Admiralty Committee. The Brier has come in, and I send the examinations of the officers as to having run into the Providence. I do not think the petitioner, Thos. Ridley, nor yet the officers of the Brier much to blame, but he that carried the light; for when he lay by the lee, he should have put abroad 2 lights to distinguish him, and then every ship of the fleet should have put abroad one, so that the ships would have seen each other. The night was dark, and the vessel they sank small, so that they could not see her till close at hand. The law of the sea is, if one merchantman run aboard another, she is to pay half the loss at the least. Here are 30 or 40 ships waiting for a convoy northwards. The owners are anxiously waiting for the Iceland convoy. I hope to get the frigates out the next spring tide.

Capt. Smith of the Tarington has taken a Dutch East Indiaman of 900 tons, richly laden, and having 4 chests of silver. As he has broken his bowsprit and anchor, I have sent him to Major Bourne at Harwich for new ones. [1$\frac{1}{2}$ *pages.*] *Enclosing,*

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63. I. *Certificate by Capt. Peter Foote and 5 other officers of the Brier of the above circumstances relative to their running into the Providence, which sank with the blow.* [¾ *page.*]

April 17. Yarmouth Road. **64.** Capt. Jer. Smythe, to the Admiralty Committee. I have been plying with Capt. Stayner on the Dogger Bank and the Riff; We chased several ships, and took the Rose of Amsterdam, an East Indiaman outward bound, with 26 guns, and very rich as the men report, having 4 chests of silver in her. The captain and 16 men were killed, and many wounded. We have put some officers and men on board, and hope she has arrived in the river. Having lost our bowsprit and anchor in the fight, we desire that new ones may be sent to Yarmouth. [1⅔ *pages.*]

April 17. Yarmouth. **65.** Capt. Rich. Stayner to the Admiralty Committee. I have been plying on my station with the Tarington. We hear there are 200 or 300 ships in the Texel bound for the Sound, with a convoy of 10 sail, and to bring back a fleet from France. We have met several Hamburghers and Danes, but not seen one enemy's fisherman. On the 13th we took a Hollander bound for the East Indies after a short dispute, and having taken out the prisoners we lost company of her in the fog, but I hope she has arrived safe. As she had money in her which the seamen might have embezzled, Capt. Smith of the Tarington took 2 of the chests, and I the other two. The men say there is much money in the hold. The officers say she was large and well laden. The master and 26 or 28 men were slain. I lost one man and had one wounded, and the Tarington had 2 drowned, and lost her mast. I am going on the Dutch coast until further instructed. [1½ *pages.*]

April 18. **66.** Petition of John Massey, of co. Chester, to the Protector. I am indebted in 700*l.*, for which many of my kindred stand bound. I have sold all my personal estate, and my real estate being mortgaged during the wars, I have nothing whereon to bring up my 6 children, but by sale of the estate, worth 40 marks a year, whereby the heir, who has now neither education nor relief, would have 6*l.* a year, and his uncle, John Downes, would bring him up. I beg an order to the chief justice at Chester to allow my son, who is 18, by his guardian, to suffer a common recovery with bar. Subscribed and recommended by his son William, John and Jas. Downes, and John Leigh. With reference, 14 April 1654, to Council. [1 *sheet.*]

April 18. Order thereon in Council granting the petition. [*I.* 75, *p.* 249.]

[April 18.] **67.** Petition of the mayor, bailiffs, and burgesses of Berwick-on-Tweed to the Protector, to authorise, as has been customary, fit persons, in both nations to suppress the wrongs done on both sides the Tweed, and to appoint greater penalties for such as work on the Lord's Day. The town being important, though poor and barren in the country round, had several liberties granted, 22 Edw. IV., for support of the garrison, viz., the farming of the fishing in the Tweed and taking salmon, which is the chief of their support, and every water

had its bounds and rules for times of tide and nets for fishing, and fines for any transgression were inflicted at a fishers' court held in Tweed Mouth, or by special Commissioners of both nations. But of late sundry gentlemen, taking advantage of the times, have set up wrong fishings, and fish in new places, one in a narrow throat of the river where few fish can pass without being taken, so that it is worth 200*l.* a year, but it much hurts the fishings above. Also many fish on the Lord's Day, not minding the penalty of 10*s.*, as reaping greater benefit thereby. Signed by Step. Jackson, mayor, and 14 others. With reference thereon to Council. 13 April 1654. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

67. I. *List of* 13 *English and Scotch gentlemen desired to be in the Commission.* [¾ *page.*]

April 18. Reference thereon by Council to Lambert, Strickland, and Mackworth, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 250.]

April 18. **68.** Petition of the well-affected servants and creditors of the late King to the Protector. There is a petition to you and also an Ordinance on our behalf, approved by Council in your absence, to this effect—

1. That the restraint laid upon the late King's goods in the hands of the Trustees for their sale or of private persons, and not in use, be taken off, and the goods sold for our relief, according to several Acts of Parliament thereon.
2. That a further power be given for getting in the money due to us by the said Acts, on discovery of concealed personal estate of the late King.

Since then, we hear that you intend to have most of the goods for your own use, and cannot choose them till the trustees have brought in their accounts, and that therefore the said Ordinance cannot be passed. We are willing to submit to your pleasure about the goods, but we beg that the Ordinance may pass as to getting in the moneys upon discoveries, that we may have something to keep us from starving. With reference thereon to Council, 22 March 1653-4. [1 *page.*]

April 18. Reference thereon by Council to Maj.-Gen. Skippon, and Cols. Mackworth, Sydenham, and Montague, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 251.]

April 18. **69.** Petition of Giles Horsington and Jerome Bodley, for 300 surveyors, clerks, and messengers, employed by the Drury House Trustees, to the Protector. The order of 27 Dec. last for payment to us forthwith of 10,000*l.* was not obeyed till after 7 weeks, and the trustees have not ascertained, as ordered, what remains yet due, though we have often solicited it.

Also the trustees, in stating our accounts, defalk half our payment for Lord's days, riding days, and days of drawing up and engrossing surveys, though those services are essential and hazardous, and it is contrary to their contract which was to pay us 16*s.* a day, and against the order of the Committee for Obstructions allowing us 15*s.* a day without exception. We have been obliged to borrow largely, and

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suffered much for want of payment, some of us not daring to return to our homes.

We beg a strict order to the trustees to state what is still due to us, and speedy payment, in pity to our afflicted condition. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

69. I. *Order, by the Committee for removing obstructions in sale of delinquents' estates, on report from the sub-committee as to the best mode of surveying them, that the* 25 *sets of surveyors be reduced to* 10, *of* 7 *persons each, and one set of* 4 *for Wales, and that each have an allowance of* 15*s. a day.* 19 *Sept.* 1651. [¾ *page. Copy.*]

April 18. Order in Council, on report on the case, that the Drury House Trustees speedily return an account of the allowances and salaries due to the petitioners, according to the former order. [*I.* 75, *p.* 251.] *Annexing,*

70. I. *Report alluded to,* 6 *April* 1654. [½ *page.*]

[April 18.] **71.** Petition of Lady Anne Blount, daughter of Montjoy Earl of Newport to the Protector, to issue a special commission upon her whole case. Never contracted marriage with William Blount, and could not do it without her father's consent, being under his tuition. But Blount, hoping that she would move her father to compound rather than run the scandal of malicious tongues, and that he should gain money thereby, pretends that she is contracted to him, and that he will marry her, whether she will or no.

There being now no Bishops' Courts for such cases, she appealed to the Commissioners of the Great Seal, but they can only issue a commission on the late Act in Puckering's case, without a warrant, whereas hers ought to be grounded not only on that Act, but on ancient and general law, such as were formerly granted. Begs such a commission to discreet and able men, as these false scandals not only prejudice her, but trouble her parent. With reference thereon to Council, 13 April 1654. [1 *sheet. Signed by the Protector.*]

April 18. Reference in Council on her petition to Cooper, Mackworth, Strickland, Montague, and Rous, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 252.]

[April 18,] **72.** Proposed order by the Protector that—as Wm. Blount, a recusant Papist, who has been in arms, has with his accomplices, falsely published that Lady Anne Blount, daughter of Montjoy, Earl of Newport, who is not yet 17, and lives with her father, is contracted to him in marriage, from which calumny she requests to be cleared, and to be left free to marry elsewhere;—the Commissioners of the Great Seal grant one or more commissions to fit persons to summon Blount and his accomplices before them, proceed against them on the said libels, examine him on oath if he appears, and if not, proceed to judgment according to right, for freeing her from all further pretences of contract, and from all molestation of the said Wm. Blount. [3 *pages.*]

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April 18. **73.** Petition of Lieut.-Gen. George Monk to the Protector. There are arrears due to me for service in Ireland, as lieut.-colonel in the General's regiment in Leinster, 1641–43, and as adjutant-general to the Munster forces, 1646–47, and for service in Ulster, 1647–49, as commander-in-chief of the forces, and Governor of Carrickfergus. The Commissioners in Ireland have given me debentures for service in 1642–43, but say there is no establishment for the rest, though I was promised 20*s.* a day as adjutant, 40*s.* as commander-in-chief, and 20*s.* as Governor of Carrickfergus. I am told that without your special order I cannot be paid for these services, nor even my debentures for lands in Ireland, till the reduced forces there and the standing army have lands assigned for their arrears.

I beg satisfaction out of the lands of Walter Rourke, Sir Thomas and Laurence Esmond, and — Sinnot, in Wexford and Kildare, at the rates at which lands are granted to other officers, and debentures for the services still unstated. With reference thereon to Council, 11 April 1654. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

73. I. *Proposed order* [*by Monk*] *to be made on his petition* [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

April 18. **74.** Reference thereon to Cols. Sydenham, Mackworth, and Montague, and Mr. Strickland, to report. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 253.] *Annexing,*

74. I. *Reference thereon by the said Committee to Commissary Gen. Edw. Whalley, Cols. Goffe, Clark, and Grosvenor, and Lieut.-Col. Chas. Worsley, to determine what pay should be allowed Monk for the services for which there is no establishment.* 20 *April* 1654. [$\frac{1}{3}$ *page.*]

74. II. *Report by Whalley, Clark, and Worsley, that he was commissioned by Lord Lisle,* 29 *Dec.* 1646, *to be adjutant of foot in his army, and should have* 20*s. a day;* 40*s. as commander-in-chief in Ulster, but nothing as Governor of Carrickfergus, as he had allowances in other capacities at the same time.* 25 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

April 18. **75.** Petition of Wm. Davenant to the Protector. Whilst prisoner in the Tower, I was exchanged for an officer in Parliament service, by Gen. Blake, and Col. Bingham, Governor of Guernsey, but detained prisoner 2 years after the exchange. The Court of Articles, on my petition, gave me a certificate [*see No.* **74.** II.] and liberty on bail to solicit its issue, but I have been arrested for debt, and made a double prisoner.

I beg freedom from writs, protection during the dependence of my case, and liberty to live obediently in my native country, being incapable of the late Act of Oblivion, because I was then a prisoner, though contrary to the obligation of my exchange. With reference thereon to Council, 20 March 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

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75. I. *Case of William or Sir Wm. Davenant, before the Commissioners for Relief on Articles.*

On 9 July 1650, *Parliament appointed him to be tried by the High Court of Justice for treason, but no proceedings were taken.*

12 *Nov.* 1651. *Col. John Bingham made an agreement with Col. Roger Burges, Governor of Castle Cornet, for his exchange for Capt. John Clarke, prisoner in the castle (who was thereupon set free, and is in the service), and ordered his release and a pass to London or beyond seas.*

General Blake certifies that he was in Guernsey in Nov. 1651, *and passed his word for performance of this agreement, and there is no proof that Davenant has forfeited his claim to it by any hostility to Parliament. Yet he is still a prisoner, and has petitioned for liberty.* [1⅓ *pages.*]

75. II. *Certificate of the Commissioners for Relief on Articles to Parliament. This case is distinct from others, because the faith of Col. Bingham, of the general who empowered him, and of the army whereof he is a member, are concerned. General Blake also passed his word, and the Act constituting this Court declares that no violation of engagements is to be permitted; but as the engagement was not confirmed by Parliament, we cannot give relief, but must resort to Parliament.* 13 *signatures.* [*Copy,* 1 *page.*]

75. III. *Col. John Bingham to Lord Bradshaw. I am much concerned in the blemish Gen. Blake and I have received, by the breach of conditions with Sir Wm. Davenant. He has lately been made a prisoner for debt, whilst he remains a prisoner on bail to the Court of Articles, to return to the Tower when demanded; and thereby he cannot stir out of town to recover his debts. He has now petitioned the Court of Articles to be free from other arrests whilst he is their prisoner, and for* 6 *weeks after his freedom. I hope, in lieu of his* 2 *years' imprisonment after exchange, the Court will allow him some further time to follow his occasions, as his sufferings, contrary to the articles of war, have been great.* 1 *Feb.* 1653–4. [*Copy,* 1 *page.*]

[April 18.] **76.** Requests of Davenant. 1. For full liberty, having endured 2 years' imprisonment in the Tower, and being a year more under bail not to stir from the town.

2. Stay of 2 writs by which I have lately been arrested, and made double prisoner.

3. Prolongation of the 6 weeks' freedom from arrest promised after my release to 6 months.

eneral pardon, that I may live as a faithful subject.

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April 18. Reference thereon to Cols. Sydenham, Mackworth, and Montague, Mr. Strickland, and Sir A. A. Cooper, to report. [*I.* 75 *p.* 253.]

April 18. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1, 5, 7, 8. The Ordinance for further suspending the proceedings of the judges named in the Act for relief of creditors and poor prisoners till May 22, read twice, and to be presented by Cooper to the Protector. Approved by him and passed for law, and to be printed and published.

3. The Admiralty Commissioners to treat with Col. Sydenham about certain timber in Carisbrook Park marked for the navy, and to consider whether it would be best for him to pay its value, or to provide a proportionable quantity of timber in lieu thereof for the navy, and to issue their orders accordingly, and meanwhile to stay its felling.

6. Order,—on information by the Sadlers' Hall Committee appointed to take care of the collections in England and Wales for relief of the inhabitants of Marlborough, and rebuilding the town consumed by fire, that divers sums are detained in the hands of the collectors, whereby the charity of good people is detained and the inhabitants frustrated of relief,—that all churchwardens, mayors and other officers who have such moneys in hand pay them immediately to the said Committee, as they will answer their neglect and contempt at their peril.

9. Sydenham to be one of the Commissioners to treat with the French Ambassador this afternoon instead of Lord Lisle, who is out of town.

10. An Ordinance for settling the office of postmaster general, and the postage of inland and foreign letters, read the 1st and 2nd time, and ordered to be read again on Friday.

13. The several representations of the Committee for taking the accounts of the Commonwealth referred to Sydenham, Cooper, and Mackworth, to report.

14. The petition of Margaret, relict of Sir Richard Bolton, late Lord Chancellor for Ireland, referred to Mackworth, Sydenham, and Cooper, to report.

20. To communicate to Major-Gen. Lambert the paper containing the desires touching the 7 companies of Sir Wm. Constable's regiment.

22. Order that 746*l.* 15*s.*, the balance due to Lieut.-Col. Roseworm for arrears of pay, as stated by the Committee for Accounts, be paid him out of his own discoveries of money or estate of the Crown, bishops, deans, and chapters or delinquents, which the respective trustees are to examine, and assign to him. Approved 4 May.

23. Council adjourns their sitting till Frida[illegible] *pp.* 249–254.]

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April 18. The Brier, Harwich.

77. Capt. Peter Foote to the Admiralty Committee. Major Burton tells me verbally that you wish me to convoy the northern fishers. As no victuals could be procured at Yarmouth, I have come to Harwich, and hope to be supplied in a few days, and then return to Yarmouth for further orders. I can only carry 6 weeks' victuals, and for the north, 3 or 4 months' are required.

Mr. Ridley's petition complains of losing 300*l.* through my neglect of duty, but the captain's place is not to watch, only to command the masters and officers to be watchful, which I did. His was only an old dogger boat, not worth more than 100*l.*, and the lading did not belong to him, nevertheless I am sorry for the accident being under my command, and the loss falling on such a poor man. [1½ *pages.*]

April 19.

78. Petition of the ancient Hackney coachmen of London and Westminster to the Protector. We have, from the beginning of the wars, been ready to serve with our horses in the artillery train under Lord Essex and others, for which large sums are due to us. But yet we are mightily oppressed by a number of Hackney coaches set up by coachmakers, harness makers, innkeepers, ostlers, tapsters, nay many gentlemen and ladies. Thus leather, iron, timber, &c. have been wasted, the prices of hay, &c. much enhanced, coach horses spoiled, the streets worn and obstructed to the hazard of passengers, parishes much burdened with the wives and children of Hackney coachmen who die or break, and the useful trade of watermen much discouraged.

We have spent much time and money in soliciting Parliament for redress, and the late Parliament read our bill twice, and commanded a bill to be drawn up for us, but the House was dissolved. The Lord Mayor and aldermen have since commended our proposals to you, and we beg order for their expedition. 8 signatures. With reference thereon to Council, 5 April 1654. [1¼ *pages.*]

April 19.

79. Petition of Rich. Turner to the Protector. I have been as soldier for the State through the wars, but am undone by Capt. Step. Rich's having got my bark, and the money that I earned. In 1648 I complained to the then Navy Committee, who ordered him to prove his propriety in the Admiralty Court, where I impleaded him, but he left England, giving bail for my satisfaction. Judgment is now given in my favour, and the Admiralty Judges commend me to the Admiralty Commissioners for relief. I beg that they may be ordered to consider my case and relieve me. With reference to the Admiralty Commissioners. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

79. I. *Report of the Admiralty Judges to the Admiralty Committee that the petitioner's small ship, the Swallow, while engaged for the service at Liverpool, was taken by Prince Rupert and subsequently retaken, and by the commander-in-chief of the forces there, delivered to Capt. Rich for the use of the Commonwealth; no satisfaction having been made to Turner, he proceeded against Rich in the Admiralty Court, but as that Court can neither condemn Rich nor*

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make restitution to Turner, they recommend him for relief, and Rich for discharge. Doctors' Commons, March 1653–4. [1 *page.*]

75. II. *Request by Luke Rawlinson, who was bail for Rich, to be discharged of further trouble, the vessel not being condemned.* 24 *April* 1654. [½ *page.*]

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April 20. **1–14.** Assignments by Wm. Davis, fishmonger, to Rich. Rogers, grocer, both of London, of 6 debentures, set over to him by Tim. Gent, mercer of Leek, co. Stafford, 21 March 1653–4, and assigned to Gent by 6 soldiers of Col. John Bowyer's regiment, co. Stafford, 10 March 1653–4, for arrears due to them respectively for service, on accounts prefixed, and certified 15 and 22 Dec. by Edw. Downes, Thos. Gent, and Tim. Edge, Commissioners for monthly assessments in the county, Davis engaging that the soldiers debentures are not false or forged, and shall freely pass on the purchase of delinquents' estates, viz. :—

	£	s.	d.
Rich. Austen - - - - -	16	5	0
Thos. Lomax, Handley Green, co. Stafford -	14	10	4
Rich. Lomax " " -	14	10	4
Rich. Baker, Newcastle [under Lyne], co. Stafford.	16	5	0
John Cliffe, serjeant to Capt. John Port -	65	13	5
Wm. Davenport, trooper under Lieut.-Col. Watson.	77	11	8

[14 *papers, the bonds being printed forms filled up.*]

April 20. **15–18.** Like assignment by Davies to Rogers of a debenture set over to him by Wm. Gent, mercer of Leek, co. Stafford, 12 April 1654, and assigned to Leek by John Hall of Longner, Astonfield parish, co. Stafford, 16 March 1653–4, of 111*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.*, being his arrears for service, on a like account prefixed of 10 Dec. 1653. [4 *papers.*]

April 20. **19–27.** Like assignment by Davies to Rogers of 3 debentures set over to him 20 Feb. 1653–4, by Wm. Gent, and by John Robinson, of Leek, co. Stafford, to Gent, 30 Jan. 1653–4, and assigned to Robinson by 3 troopers in Col. Simon Rudgley's regiment, 30 Jan. 1653-4, being their arrears for like service on like accounts prefixed of 29 Dec. 1653, viz. :—

	£	s.	d.
Chris. Oreton - - - - -	90	13	4
Fras. Boden - - - - -	90	13	4
Wm. Boden - - - - -	90	13	4

[9 *papers.*]

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April 20. Yarmouth. **28.** Major Wm. Burton to the Admiralty Committee. I wish the Marigold were here, or the voyage will be overthrown, the time of the year being so far spent. I sent your letter by a ketch to the Dogger bank, with orders to throw it overboard in case the vessel were taken, and bade them stay all vessels in the Roads from going northerly. Some of the Iceland men, sailing from Tynemouth without convoy, were taken; 3 or 4 got into Berwick. 40 sail of North Sea men wait for a small man-of-war, such as the Weymouth or Sparrow Pink, as convoy, as although there is now peace with the Dutch, there are many pirates. I beg you to send a sharp letter to the smith here, threatening to imprison or hang him if he does not proceed with the anchors, as he has 23 tons of the State's iron, and is a lying knave. I want 4 or 5 of the greatest anchors, and he has long promised them. [2. *pp.*] *Annexing,*

28. I. *Nich. Allin to his wife, at North Yarmouth, Leaving Tynemouth, I and 3 others were chased by 2 small men-of-war, but got into Berwick when they were within musket shot of us. We want aid, there being many men-of-war about. We got into this trouble by coming in here for our salt, and had to pay 16s. a wey excise for it. There has been fighting between the Weymouth and Sparrow and 2 Holland men-of-war. Berwick,* 12 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

April $\frac{20}{30}$. Ratisbon. **29.** List of sums varying from 20 to 240 rix dollars promised by 19 counts of the Wettarabian College monthly, for 3 or 4 months [to Charles II.] as an English subsidy, the total being 1,764 rix dollars, agreed on at a meeting held 22 December 1653. The largest donor is the Count of Hainault, 240. The Rheingrave gives 96, Count Solms 144, &c. Endorsed by Nicholas, "A list of "how much one Romer month for every of the Counts of Wettarabia comes to, but some of them promised the King 4 Romer months, and none less than 3. [2 *pp. German.*]

April 21. **30.** Petition of Constant Jessop, minister, to the Protector. I was 3 years ago interdicted the exercise of my ministry in Bristol, on misrepresentation by Capt. Bishop before Council of a sermon I preached at the choice of a mayor, and was banished from coming within 10 miles of the city. I beg leave to go to the city, and preach there if desired, this order notwithstanding. [1 *page.*]

April 21. Order thereon granting the petition. Approved 4 May. [*I.* 75, *p.* 255.]

April 21. **31.** Petition of Roger Lee, prisoner in the Tower, to the Protector, for release, not having a penny to buy bread but what charity brings in. Was apprehended on suspicion of treason, the thought of which he abominates, knowing that God has set the government of these nations on the shoulders of his Highness. Begs

consideration of the rashness of his youth and meanness of his condition, being fatherless and motherless, but apprentice with a well-affected man, and his future depending on his diligence and good demeanour. With reference thereon to Council, 29 March 1654.

April 21. Note of its reading in Council, but no order. [*I.* 75, *p.* 255.]

April 21. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Committee for inspection of Treasuries to consider how 7,000*l.* may best be raised, and paid for the Council's contingencies.

2. Skippon and Mackworth to consider the contempt charged on Jos. Rigby, and to report.

3. The Committee on the 50,000*l.* secured to the City of London by several lords to send for such papers and accounts as may enable them to report.

4. The Trustees for maintenance of ministers authorised to give warrants to their receivers to pay the executors of Thos. Wynyffe, D.D., late Bishop of Lincoln, all such sums as they received as rents and pensions due during the time he was bishop, till bishops' lands were by Ordinance of Nov. 1646 vested in trustees for the use of the commonwealth. Approved 4 May.

6. The Army Committee empowered to issue warrants to the Treasurers-at-War to pay Col. Alured 410*l.*, to be disbursed for the army contingencies on an especial service. Approved 4 May.

10. The articles of peace, union, and confederation between the Protector and the United Provinces, with the ratification thereof by the Protector, read, signed, sealed, and consented to by Council. Order to advise the Protector that the same be delivered to the ambassadors of the said States.

13. Order on report that Dav. Baree be discharged, and a warrant issued in that behalf to the serjeant-at-arms, and that Hen. Welsh — Dowdee be continued in custody.

14. A clause to be added at the close of the order of Tuesday last, concerning Lieut.-Col. Roseworm's satisfaction for his arrears out of discoveries, that if any shall pay him the sum aforesaid out of concealed State moneys, his acquittance for so much shall be a full discharge. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 254–256.]

April 22. Custom House, London. **32.** Customs' Commissioners to Wm. Jessop, clerk of the Council. If Council thinks fit to order the import of the 40 tuns of wine named in yours of the 21st for the use of his Highness, though in several ships not named, and express the quantity in each in writing to the Commissioners, on the first entry of the ships into the open Custom House, but not to exceed 40 tuns, it can be done without prejudice or colour to others to import greater quantities of French wines, with or without payment of customs. Endorsed with note that the wines were desired by M. Fanquairt and Mdme. Durette. [1 *page.*]

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April 21. The Brier, Harwich.

33. Capt. Peter Foote to the Admiralty Committee. I will sail to-day, and observe your instructions. In assisting the captain of the Woodbridge frigate in impressing men, I found the colliers abuse your protection by passing off 4 or 5 young and able men on our visits as the officers specified in their orders, who are mostly ancient men. Many of the ships have no guns, yet gunners are allowed in their orders, and the colliers never carry a boatswain. [1 *page.*]

April 21. The Plymouth.

34. Capt. Rich. Stayner to the Admiralty Committee. I put our prisoners on shore, and put to sea again. 20 leagues N.W. of the Texel we met 4 sail, one being a Dutch private man-of-war with 3 prizes. We took the man-of-war and one of the prizes, which belonged to Barking, but nearly had her retaken by a French shallop off the Spurm. Having landed the prisoners at Burlington, we went after the other 2 prizes, but could not get sight of them. I hear there are 4 Dutch men-of-war about Tabb's Head, who have taken 7 prizes within these 10 days. I will hasten to Yarmouth Roads for further orders. [¾ *page.*]

April 22.

COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Ordinances for uniting Scotland into one commonwealth with England, for erecting Courts Baron in Scotland, and for settling the estates of several excepted persons in Scotland in trustees, to be sent to the commander-in-chief in Scotland, who is to have them published in all the shires of Scotland.

2. Notice to the several ports and all others concerned, that a peace is concluded with the States General, which is to be proclaimed on 26 April, and that restitution is to be made of all ships taken on either side after 12 days in these seas; after 6 weeks in places on this side Cape St. Vincent; after 10 weeks in the Mediterranean, and to the Equinoctial line; and after 8 months beyond the Equinoctial line. With note to the Customs' Commissioners, enclosing a copy and desiring them to communicate it to the several ports. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 255–256.]

April 22. The Preston.

35. Capts. Philip Gethings and Thos. Adames to the Admiralty Committee. We have been ready to sail for Hoseley Bay since Wednesday, to join the Vice-Admiral's squadron. We find that out of your tender affection for the good of trade, you have given the colliers warrants protecting their mates, carpenters, gunners, and boatswains from being pressed, but we can show that they much abuse them by inserting young men's names therein, while they have old and useless men for such officers, and a boatswain was never known in a collier. [1 *page.*]

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36. Request by Lieut.-Col. Thos. Biscoe and Wm. Style to the President of the Council of State. We beg that the 7 companies of Sir Wm. Constable's regiment ordered for Scotland may be allowed 140 tents, a surgeon's chest, 7 drums, 100 snaphance muskets and bandoleer collars, and 700 snapsacks; also pay for a surgeon's mate,

gunsmith and mate, and a drumbeater to each company. As the 400*l.* assigned us on Goldsmiths' Hall cannot soon be paid, let us have it from the Tower Treasury, and it can be repaid to Col. Berkstead, so that we may pay our quarters in our march. Also we desire an order to the Army Committee to continue the 30 recruits each of Lieut.-Col. Biscoe's and Capt. Eyton's companies, as long as they remain in Scotland. 18 April. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

April 25. Reference of the above, and of another paper about guns, tents, and increase of money for Scotland, to Maj.-Gen. Lambert, to offer such orders and warrants as he thinks fit. [*I.* 74, *p.* 55.]

[April 25.] **37.** Petition of Hen. Clerke, major in the late King's army, to the Protector. On the rendition of Winchester garrison, went to Oxford, and soon after that garrison was blocked up by Commissioner-Gen. Ireton, late Lord Deputy, left on Ireton's engagement that he should have the full benefit of what articles were made for the town, and with a pass from Gen. Fairfax, went beyond seas to travel. Being sued by one Joice for cattle, which during the wars he drove away for Winchester garrison, was obliged to have recourse to the Commissioners for articles; but as there may be some dispute, because Ireton's engagement was not sealed (though Admiral Desborow has certified to his hand), begs a particular commendation of his case to the present Commissioners for articles. With recommendation, 3 March 1653–4, to the said Commissioners, to allow petitioner the benefit of the engagement, by his Highness being satisfied that it was signed. [*Copy,* $1\frac{1}{3}$ *pp.*] *Annexing,*

37. I. *Statement by Ireton of the circumstances of Clerke's leaving Oxford and remaining in the army's quarters till he had the General's pass to travel,* 8 *June* 1649. *Certified by Col. John Desborow,* 4 *Feb.* 1652–3. *With reference of the case by the Protector to Council,* 29 *March* 1654. [*Copy,* $1\frac{1}{4}$ *pp.*]

[April 25.] **38.** Report by the Committee for Articles of War confirming the truth of the petition, and that Clerke was intended to be included in Oxford articles, though not named therein, but the engagement was not confirmed by Parliament; they cannot give plenary relief on this account, and also because the engagement was not sealed, and they are only authorized to accept certificates under the hand and seal of commanders. Signed by John Bradshaw and 9 others. [*Parchment.* 1 *sheet.*]

[April 25.] **39.** Like petition naming him as Hen. Clerke of Exford, co. Wilts, and begging reference to Council. With reference accordingly. 29 March 1654. [1 *sheet.*]

April 25. Reference thereon by Council to Cols. Jones and Mackworth, Sir Anth. Ash. Cooper, and Mr. Strickland, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 258.]

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1. The Lord President having last Saturday issued a warrant to take into custody Charles Rich and John James, on information of a quarrel between them, both parties appeared before Council, where both were bound in 1,000*l.* and 2 sureties in 1,000*l.* not to fight each other, nor break the public peace.

2. An Ordinance to be prepared for preventing duels, Mackworth, Strickland, Skippon, and Cooper to prepare a draft, and confer with counsel.

5. The petition of the mayor and burgesses of Abingdon, co. Berks, committed to Jones, Mackworth, Strickland, and Cooper, to report.

7. That of Ed. Hanchet, usher to the late court of wards, read and laid aside.

8. Council having ordered on April 14, that 200*l.* should be paid James Challenor, the Commissioners for inspecting Treasuries are to consider on what Treasury it may best be charged.

9. On consideration of the case on the petition of Sir Ed. Baynton, concerning certain downs and lands claimed by him as an inheriance, the question being whether the same be part of the manor of Bishop Cannings, parcel of the late possessions of the Bishop of Sarum, Council thinks fit to refer it to an ordinary proceeding at law. *Annexing,*

40. I. *Report of the Committee to whom the case was referred by Council, recapitulating the former statements* [*See p.* 43 *suprà,*] *and adding that Rob. Henley produced deeds to prove that the lands belonged to the Bishopric of Sarum, and that Sir Edward's executors held them only by lease, and that they think the matter should be left to law.* [1¾ *pages.*]

11. Order on report on Capt. Thos. Sydenham's petition [*See* 8 *and* 16 *March suprà*] that the 600*l.* ordered be paid out of 811*l.* 4*s.* 1*d.* received by Geo. Dawson and Thos. Errington, of Newcastle, Commissioners for public debts, and remaining in their hands as collectors of an imposition on coals in Newcastle, and that they pay it accordingly. Approved 4 May, and warrant signed 11 May, 1654. *Annexing,*

41. I. *Report offered by the Committee that the* 600*l. should be paid from the Prerogative treasury, they finding no other less burdened with public charges.* 11 *April* 1654. [½ *page.*]

41. II. *Report for its payment as granted by the order.* [⅔ *page.*]

41. III. *Warrant to Dawson and Errington for payment of the* 600*l. to Sydenham, and the balance* 211*l.* 4*s.* 1*d. to Wm. Maddison.* [*Draft,* 1⅓ *pages.*]

12. The report from the Committee on the petitions of Ed. Edmonds and Luke Ivory and others, on behalf of several persons who

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disbursed small sums upon the propositions in 1642, referred back to the former Committee, to which Desborow and Jones are added, to report.

13. Order on report from the Committee on Susan Bowen's petition, that the Committee for Ely House give warrants to their Treasurer to pay her what they think fit, between 20*l.* and 40*l.*, and to make up her husband's pension of 4*s.* a week to 6*s.* till further order. Approved 4 May. *Annexing,*

42. I. *Report on which the order is founded, stating that she is very necessitous, and that Maj.-Gen. Skippon and others have certified her good service in making discoveries.* [2¾ *page.*]

14. Thurloe to send forthwith for the Heralds, and order that the proclaiming of the peace between his Highness and the United Provinces to-morrow be put into an effectual way, according to Council's declaration lately published.

15. Some variations being made in the order on the report on Sir Rich. Temple and Dame Christian, widow, and the creditors of Sir Peter Temple, deceased, the amended order was this day presented to Council by Mackworth, and approved, viz.: That the justices of the Court of Common Pleas admit Rich. Temple (an infant under 21) to levy one or more fines, and by his guardian to suffer recovery of all his manors and lands in England for better conveying the same on trustees, and the use of the said fines and recoveries shall by indenture be declared to be to the use of such as are mentioned in articles enrolled in the Court of Chancery between Sir Rich. Temple and the creditors of Sir Peter Temple, for 11 years in trust for the said creditors, towards payment of his debts, and for present support of Dame Christian and Sir Richard. The fines, recoveries, and indentures are to give power to Sir Richard to charge the manors and lands, after expiration of 11 years, with payment of 2,000*l.* for discharge of other debts of Sir Peter's, beside those expressed in the said articles, and also after raising the 2,000*l.*, to make a jointure of the premises to such wife as he shall marry, the remainder of the manors and premises to be settled as by former deed of settlement.

Also that Sir Richard be enabled to make assurances to Abel Dayrell of lands which had been exchanged between him and Sir Peter on his inclosure thereof. [*I.* 74, *pp.* 53–59.]

April 25. **43.** Report by Lieut.-Col. Kelsey on a reference from the Protector, on Jas. Harbin's request for the place of bailiff and keeper of the prison at Sandwich, that it was granted by Patent in the time of Elizabeth and Charles at a salary of 12*d.* a day, but later by a Commission from the Revenue Committee, and now is in the gift of his Highness. It was held by Mr. Squib, who has surrendered his interest to Harbin, and he is fit for the place. [*Draft,* 1 *page.*]

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April 25. **44.** Warrant by the Commissioners for inspecting the Treasuries to the Treasurers for [sale of] delinquents' lands to pay 1,609*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.* to Rich. Hutchinson, to be issued on warrants of the Admiralty Commissioners. Receipted 5 May. [1½ *pages.*]

April 26. **45.** Petition of the inhabitants of Mashbury, co. Essex, to the Protector, to confer their living, which is under sequestration, on Abr. Pinchbeck, a godly and orthodox divine, whom they have chosen unanimously, their late minister, Hen. Bates, having died 2 years ago, since which time they have had no settled minister. Six signatures, 1 by mark. With reference thereon to Council to appoint him if they are satisfied of his fitness, as his Highness is, 20 April 1654. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

45. I. *Certificate by the Earl of Mulgrave, Hen. Lakin, preacher at High Laver, and John Meriton, preacher at Martin's-in-the-fields, in favour of Abr. Pinchbeck, M.A.* [*Scrap.*]

45. II. *Order of the Committee for Plundered Ministers appointing Hen. Bates to the cure of Mashbury, with the vicarage house, glebe land, &c., Rob. Gray, the vicar, having deserted his cure, and gone to the Cavaliers' army.* 27 *Oct.* 1643. [1 *page.*]

April 26. Order thereon appointing Pinchbeck vicar in place of Bates. [*I.* 74, *p.* 60.]

[April 26.] **46.** Representation of the merchants and tradesmen of London to the Protector. We think the late Act depriving the buyer of re-allowance of excise and impost on foreign goods altered or sold to be exported very prejudicial to the revenue and to trade, because few importers export again themselves, therefore if the buyers are not allowed the imposts, which are 10 or 15 per cent., or more, our imposts will be confined to home consumption, and Scotland and Ireland, and foreign parts will be supplied from the Netherlands and other parts. By which means—

1. We shall lose customs.
2. Our ships and mariners will want employment.
3. The labourers will lose the wages for receiving and shipping off imports.
4. The whole trade will infinitely suffer, for those who buy foreign commodities here take English manufactures as well, which they will not do if they have to buy foreign goods abroad.

Instances of bad effects from the working of this principle in other parts.

Seven reasons against its adoption in England. All who understand trade know that the best expedient to attract and enlarge it is to make the ports free, whilst these Acts would contract home trade and almost extinguish foreign; whereas the enlarging the freedom of the ports for import and export would make this country the magazine of both eastern and western nations, and keep in abundant supplies, without which the State's ammunition and

shipping can only be supplied by pre-contract, at excessive rates. 6 April. Noted for the merchants to attend again on Wednesday. [2½ *large closely-written pages.*]

[April 26.] **47.** [The merchants and retailers of London to Council.] We think we have satisfied you that unless the Ordinances against the re-allowance of half-subsidy and excise on foreign goods re-exported are repealed, most of our trade will be extinct, and if you allow it to the importer only, the retailers must turn importers, or the merchants retailers, which will ruin many. You wish us to enumerate those commodities which will be most prejudiced. They will be,—

Wool and its several manufactures, which would so rise in price by the tax on soap, oil, alum, copperas, &c., that they would grow dear, and foreign nations would make their own.

English iron is greatly injured by the late excise of 1*s.* 6*d.*, of which foreign iron is eased, so that we shall lose a gallant revenue, and have to purchase it from abroad.

Also manufactures here of foreign materials, as cotton, wool, hemp, silk, &c., would suffer much by excise at their export.

Also the Bardadoes sugars could not be brought here to be refined and undersell the Dutch, if 2*s.* per cwt. were charged on export.

The commodities which are improved here, and on which half subsidy and excise used to be allowed at export, are,—

All sorts of linens and canvas—whited or dyed; spiceries—garbled from the dust; grograin, mohairs, calicoes, &c.—dyed; copper plates—cut into bars or small pieces; tobacco—made into rolls, or cut and dried.

Also spirits will be procured direct from France if the hot waters supplied by our foreign plantations are to pay excise as spirits.

We do not repine against public levies for the protection of the nation, but we would not have them so levied as to ruin trade, and destroy the tree in the manner of plucking the fruit. If the present rates fall short of the emergencies, we shall be ready to give our opinions about their supply some other way. [2½ *closely-written pages.*]

[April 26.] **48.** Report on the best mode of levying Customs and Excise. That the present rates are exorbitant, and that the imposition of great taxes on portable goods is but an encouragement to escape them, and the desire of gain leads to great hazard. A more moderate imposition would increase the revenue. For Spanish tobacco, the receipts are greater now when the tax is 12*d.* than when it was 3*s.*

By the last Excise Act, bone lace is taxed at 3*s.* in 20*s.*, but we believe the receipts will be less than when it was 1*s.* Similar instances might be given in cambrics, lawns, wrought silks, &c. High rates injure trade and encourage deceit. French silks are thus cheaper and more plentiful since they were prohibited than before.

You will find scarcely anything received on the 10 per cent. tax for jewels. The severe laws in Spain and here do not prevent the export of bullion, but these things throw the trade out of the hands of the merchants and into the hands of small men, who practice deceit. This being an island, it is impossible to keep boats every-

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where to prevent import of uncustomed goods. Much abuse would be prevented by limiting vessels to import the goods only of the place they come from, according to lists to be sent by the Customs' Commissioners, and to put the *onus probandi* on the defendant. [2⅓ *pages.*]

April 26. **49.** Report by Major-Gen. Lambert, on the desires of some merchants of London, about the late Ordinance for Customs and Excise, that on debate with divers of them, they presented something disadvantageous to trade, and particularly the withdrawing the reallowance of customs on foreign goods re-exported. It is liable to abuses, but not equal to the inconveniences which may arise therefrom.

The taking off the excise from old draperies will be a great ease to the people, it being very troublesome in the gathering, and will encourage that manufacture, and thereby trade in general. Yet as the State should be reimbursed by excise on other goods, it should be laid on those that will better bear it without injury to trade.

We think the first buyer, on exporting goods imported, should have half the impost and all the excise, as before, and the increase of excise on other goods be considered by a Committee of Council, as it will take some time to perfect. This Committee should also consider of fit expedients to prevent fraud, and report speedily. [1 ⅔ *pages.*]

April 26. Order thereon in Council that the report be agreed with, and referred back to the former Committee to consider further, and prepare Ordinances, also to confer with the Customs' Commissioners, and with such merchants as they choose. [*I.* 74, *p.* 62.]

April 26. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Col. Nat. Fiennes admitted one of his Highness' Council.

2. The heralds to publish the Protector's proclamation of peace between this Commonwealth and the Netherlands solemnly, and in several places in London, as is usual.

3. A paper by Wm. Norbury, offering a discovery of a fee-farm rent of 100 marks a year, referred to the Committee for the Treasuries, to receive the discovery and report.

5, 6. Rous and Mackworth to consider what rules are fit to be observed in admitting persons to sequestered livings and augmentations. Also what should be done about the difference between Mrs. Porter and Dr. Barnard concerning Whitchurch rectory, and to report.

7. Order that the clause in the Ordinance for continuing the Excise —whereby it is provided that no allowance be made for beer or ale to be used in fishing vessels at sea which is bought of the common brewer,—be suspended till further order. The Excise Commissioners to proceed accordingly.

9. Lambert's report from the Commissioners on the petition of the Adventurers for lands in Ireland referred back to the same Committee, to present to Council a report in writing touching the matter prayed.

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10. Order on report on papers concerning Sir Wm. Constable's regiment and other affairs of Scotland, viz.:

(1.) That the Treasury Commissioners consider the best way for payment of 400*l.* due for arrears to the regiment now charged on Goldsmiths' Hall, and consult with and give order to the Army Committee.

(2.) That the Army Committee add to the establishment of the army 1 surgeon's mate, 1 gunsmith, 1 gunsmith's mate, and 7 drummers to the 7 companies of Constable's regiment now ordered to Scotland, and that they cause provision to be made for them; also a surgeon's chest.

(3.) That the supernumeraries added to the foot companies under Lieut.-Col. Biscoe and Capt. Eyton in Constable's regiment, being 30 private soldiers in each company, be continued while they are in Scotland.

(4.) **50.** That the Admiralty Committee issue warrants for furnishing 7 companies of Constable's foot with 7 drums, 100 collars of bandoleers, and 700 snapsacks, out of the public stores.

(5.) That the Ordnance officers cause 1,000 tents to be provided for use in Scotland, advise with Mr. Molins, and proceed as they did in providing the last 1,000 tents.

(6.) **51.** That out of the 1,000 tents ordered, Col. Pride's regiment have 203, and the 7 companies of Constable's regiment, 140.

(7.) That the Committee for inspecting Treasuries see where 950*l.* may best be charged for payment for the 1,000 tents.

(8.) That the Ordnance officers provide 2 double guns for service in Scotland.

(9.) That the Treasury Commissioners remind the Army Committee to add to the money assigned for Scotland, out of the present 3 months' assessment, such money as may answer the increase of forces.

11. Order on Major-Gen. Lambert's propounding further desires for Col. Pride's regiment.

(1.) That the supernumeraries, making them 1,000, be continued till further order.

(2.) That a month's pay be advanced on next Monday's muster.

(3.) **52.** That the Admiralty Committee order them 10 drums, 10 halberds, and 200 bandoleer collars.

(4.) That the Army Committee order Pride 50*l.* for 1,000 knapsacks by him provided. *Annexing.*

53. I. *Pride's request for the above, the fresh recruits being* 300. *Also for* 270*l.* *for* 203 *tents.* [⅓ *page.*]

12. Mackworth, Jones, and Sydenham to prepare an Ordinance to authorise some parishioners of John Simpson in London to receive the profits of the living, and dispose part to maintain a fit person to officiate there, and the residue to his wife and children.

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13. Col. Desborow added to the Committee of Council on Capt. Hume's petition.

14. Order on report from the Admiralty Committee on the Anthony, claimed by Anthony Gay, and others, that she and her lading—stayed at Bristol by the officers there, on apprehension that the owners had transgressed the Navigation Act,—be released, and restored to Gay. *Annexing,*

54. I. *Report alluded to, that the ship belongs to English merchants, but was stayed partly on suspicion that its purchase was only a pretext for bringing over French goods, but that an instrument attested by the public notary of Rochelle having proved the sale of the ship, there is no cause for its detention.* 20 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

54. II. *Attestation by Joshua Mamet, public notary of Rochelle, of the sale of the Anthony to Edw. Moore on behalf of Anthony Gay and other merchants of Bristol, for* 52,000 *livres tournois.* 26 *Jan.* 1654. [8 *pages, translation from French.*]

54. III. *Report by the Customs' Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee, that the Anthony was seized by their officers in Bristol on suspicion, being of Lubec, and manned with strangers, but that they believe the ship and goods really belong to Englishmen, and are not liable to forfeiture, as the Act for Navigation does not enjoin English ships from ports of Europe to be manned with English mariners, but only those from Asia, Africa, and America.* 6 *April* 1654. [¾ *pages.*]

16. The report from the Committee on Thos. Ivy's petition, touching a decree in Chancery for alimony for his wife,—certifying that after several meetings, and hearing both parties, Ivy declared himself willing to withdraw his petition, and apply to the Commissioners of the Great Seal,—agreed with, and Ivy's petition dismissed; if he make his application as aforesaid, the Commissioners are desired to end the same speedily. [*I.* 74, *pp.* 60–7.]

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Whitehall.

55. Pres. Lawrence to the Generals of the Fleet. The Protector and Council being informed that there were lately at Portsmouth, Exeter, and other western ports, several prisoners taken at sea, desire you to dispose of all, except English, Irish, and Scotch, as you think best. [*Also I.* 74, *p.* 68.]

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The Torrington, Hoseley Bay.

56. Capt. Jer. Smyth to the Admiralty Committee. I send a receipt of the Governor of Landguard Fort for money delivered him. The Newcastle and two others have come out of Harwich into the Rolling Grounds, and the Plover has gone towards Yarmouth, to press men for them. I have been under sail, but compelled to come to anchor through the fog. Vice-Admiral Lawson is still near Yarmouth. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

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56. I. *Receipt by Ben. Gifford, governor of Landguard Fort, from Capt. Smith, of* 2 *chests, containing bags of money amounting to* 11,700 *guilders.* 25 *April* 1654. [½ *page.*]

April 26. **57.** Jas. Brocke to the Prize Commissioners. I have brought the Rose East Indiaman into Hole Haven, a little below the Hope, and will get her up higher as soon as possible, She is a gallant ship, but only has ships' provisions on board, which are secured. The lieutenant in charge has acted very well, or things would have gone wrong, as I have a company of as wild seamen as ever breathed. The captains have landed the silver by order of the Admiralty Committee, at Landguard Fort and Yarmouth, but it is only double stivers and such like false coin of little value. There are also several seamen's chests and their contents of little value, which the lieutenant desires may be delivered to his men, who fought so stoutly for her, and thus save a disturbance. [1 *page.*]

April 26. **58.** Jas. Brocke to the Prize Commissioners. I hope to get the prize ship into the Hope to-morrow. As all the men-of-war's men will be gone the first hour, and I left with only 3 seamen and 6 Flemings, I desire that some able men may be sent down. The ship's cargo consists of victuals and drink, and shipping provisions of all sorts. [⅔ *page.*]

[April 27.] **59.** Petition of the ushers, messengers, and doorkeepers who attended the several Committees of the late Parliament, to the Protector, for payment. Attended the said Committees faithfully, but have received no salary. Parliament, on 28 Nov. 1653, ordered the Committees to consider what servants should be employed, and what salaries allowed, and some Committees agreed on reports, but through the sudden dissolution of Parliament, nothing was done; certificates have since been granted them as to what salaries should be allowed. Are poor men, have large families, and have disbursed large sums for these Committees. With 11 signatures of servants to the Committee for the poor and justices of peace; for petitions for public debts; for Scottish affairs; for prisons and prisoners, and for receiving petitions. With reference thereon, 9 Feb. 1653–4, to Mr. Scobell, to certify their particular services, what has been formerly allowed, and what should be allowed them. [1 *page.*]

[April 27.] **60.** Report by Scobell on 8 of the above cases, and on that of Geo. Vynes, usher and messenger to the Committee for tithes, stating the sums that should be paid them for 5 months' attendance from 10*l.* to 20*l.* each, and expenses. [2 *pages.*]

April 27. Order thereon for payment accordingly to the said 9 persons total, 134*l.* 0*s.* 8*d.* salaries and allowances; to be paid by Mr. Frost Approved 4 May. [*I.* 74, *pp.* 70, 71.]

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April 27. **61.** Petition of John Lightfoot, master of Catherine Hall Cambridge, to the Protector and Council. The late Committee for the Universities allowed him 90*l.* a year augmentation of maintenance, most of which is in arrears. Begs an order for payment and continuance, as granted to other masters, his mastership being the least in the University. [¾ *page.*]

April 27. Order in Council granting the petition, any former order of restraint notwithstanding. [*I.* 74, *p.* 72.]

[April 27.] **62.** Petition of Margaret, Countess of Worcester, to the Protector, for some maintenance, if she cannot have her fifths, as other wives have had. Has only received 400*l.* in 9 years. and after 3 years' solicitation. Being a second wife, is not mother to Lord Herbert, from whom she has only received 20*l.*, yet Mr. Long, master of requests, says his Highness is informed that she is not in want; but how can her husband help when the 3*l.* a week allowed him by the State does not pay lodgings and keepers' fees? Lord Herbert allows 3*l.* more, but it is uncertain, and not abundant to keep him and 6 servants in food. Considering her birth, takes no pleasure in trudging up and down on foot, or in a sculler, yet could not do otherwise, nor go attired like a gentlewoman, had she not sold her former clothes. With reference thereon to Council for speedy consideration, 21 April. [1 *page.*]

April 27. Reference thereon in Council to Lambert, Lisle, and Strickland, to report. [*I.* 74, *p.* 72.]

April 27. **63.** Petition of Wm. Maddison to Council. Being one of the Committee for Accounts, I have waived my private employments for 4½ years to attend to this, but only received 100*l.*, and am now in necessity, having spent in the service most of what I had for my family. I beg an order for 211*l.* 4*s.* 1*d.*, the balance of 811*l.* 4*s.* 1*d.* in the hands of Geo. Dawson, alderman, and Thos. Errington. merchant of Newcastle, concealed, but discovered to the Commissioners for Accounts. [1 *page.*]

April 27. Order for payment as requested, Dawson and Errington having discovered that the money was in their hands, and paid 600*l.*, by order of 25 April, to Capt. Thos. Sydenham, leaving the balance 211*l.* 4*s.* 1*d.* Approved 4 May. Noted as signed, 12 May 1654. [*I.* 74, *pp.* 72, 73.]

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1. The money due from Mr. Manley, postmaster, for rent of postage of letters, to be paid to G. Frost on account of the Council's contingencies, and Mr. Bond's warrants to be the first satisfied out of it.

2. Note that Col. Nath. Fiennes took the usual oath, and then sat in Council.

4. A report from the Commissioners for inspecting Treasuries

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concerning satisfaction of arrears to soldiers agreed with, and Mackworth, Montague, and Fiennes to prepare an Ordinance thereupon, and present it.

5. The amendments of the Ordinance for further doubling on Deans and Chapters' lands and the glebe, made on Jones' report, read, and agreed to.

8. The report on the petition of Henry Lord Herbert referred to Lord Chief Justice Rolle and Justices Atkins and Hales, to peruse the several cases and the Acts, &c., to which they refer; to consider the powers derived to the Commissioners for removing Obstructions, and the order by them made therein, send for witnesses, and report.

12. Strickland and Sydenham added to the Committee on Hartlib's petition.

15. **64.** In pursuance of an order of yesterday, Mackworth and Jones offered this order, which was approved, viz., that as, since the restraint of John Simpson, St. Botolph's Without, Bishopsgate, has been destitute of a minister, or uncertainly supplied, Jos. Finch, and 7 other inhabitants procure some faithful minister, approved by the Commissioners for approbation of Ministers, to discharge the place, they receiving all the minister's tithes, dues, &c., making the minister, a competent allowance, and giving the residue to Simpson's wife and children. With note of approval by Hugh Peters and Thos. Owen, Commissioners, of Dan. Nicholls to be the preacher. Approved 4 May. Noted "Read and reversed, 5 July 1655."

17. The report on the petition of several clerks and officers attending Committees of the last Parliament, whose allowance was thereby reduced to a certainty as to all but those attending the Committee for advance of learning, referred back to Jessop and Scobell, to ascertain their allowance also, and report. [*I.* 74, *pp.* 69–75.]

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Yarmouth.

65. Major Wm. Burton to the Admiralty Committee. The Marigold has arrived to convoy the Aldborough and Wells men, and only waits for instructions, being victualled for 5 months. The ships in the road hasten to be gone, and also those at Shields and Berwick. If they cannot go soon they will lose their voyages. I thank you for appointing the Weymouth pink for the North Sea men, as there is a great fleet waiting.

The smith's name is Thos. Gay, and he says he has lately bought two anchors of 20 cwt., going to Ipswich for them, but I can hardly believe him, he having deceived me so often. I received the proclamations of peace; am I to proclaim them or nail them on the cross or elsewhere? [1 *page.*]

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66. Petition of John Hastings to the Admiralty Committee. Being corporal of the Victory, I was sent on the 23rd by the lieutenant to guard some pressed men to the ship, when I was much wounded by them, and have lain at my own charge at Woolwich for cure. I beg repayment. [½ *page.*] *Annexing,*

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66. I. *Certificate by Rich. Newbery, captain of the Victory, that Hastings being in a boat with* 2 *others, guarding* 15 *pressed men, they cut and bruised him so that he has been under the surgeon's hands at Woolwich at great charge.* 13*th April. With note by Thos. Turner, Clerk of the Navy Commissioners, to Mr, Hayes, to present the case to the Commissioners* [*for Sick and Wounded*] *for relief.* [1 *page.*]

66. II. *Like certificate by Hen. Bigges, adding that Hastings has lain* 3 *weeks at Woolwich under cure.* 14 *April* 1654. [½ *page.*]

66. III. *Certificate by Thos. Gwin, that the pressed men fell upon Hastings and cut him, leaving him half dead, steered the boat ashore, and got away.* 17 *April.* [*Scrap.*]

April 27. **67.** Petition of John Hastings and John Welch, both employed on the said service, and wounded, to the Admiralty Committee, to like effect. [⅔ *page.*]

April 27. **68.** Order in the Admiralty Committee, that Luke Harbottle, a prisoner in the Gatehouse, pay Welsh 30*s.* and Hastings 4*l.* 10*s.*, in consideration of their wounds, and find security for his immediate repair on board the Victory and continuance in the service, or else he is to be sent to Bridewell to work, and receive such correction as may be deemed fit. With receipt of Hastings and Welsh for 6*l.* 28 April. [1 *page.*]

April 28. **69, 70.** Petition of Wm. Jordan, mayor, and other inhabitants of Yarmouth, Isle of Wight, to the Protector. Yarmouth is an ancient port, a great thoroughfare for passage to and from the mainland; has a castle and a garrison of 70 soldiers, and 400 inhabitants, but has had no settled preaching minister, by reason of the small means belonging to it, being not above 20 marks a year, which serves for an old man who can only read. John Martin had 50*l.* a year, and 30*l.* more for Newport; he had not voice enough for the large audience at Newport, but is willing to settle at Yarmouth. We beg that he may have an augmentation of 50*l.* a year, formerly granted us, in addition to the 50*l.* a year which he has hitherto had in reference to Newport, now otherwise provided. 40 signatures. [1½ *pages.*]

April 28. Order thereon on recommendation of Col. Sydenham granting Martin the 50*l.* granted to Zach. Sprint, late minister of Yarmouth, and also granting to Mr. Tutching, minister of Newport, the augmentation formerly settled from the rectory of Newchurch. Approved 4 May. [*I.* 74, *p.* 84.]

April 28. **71.** Petition of Sir Alex. Gibson, of Durie, co. Fife, Scotland, to the Protector. Being commissary-general or treasurer of the Scots' army in 1640 and 1641, I had to give bonds for large sums, and victuals for the army, for which I have accounted, and the bonds are declared by Act of Parliament to be public debts, and I was indemnified and never challenged for them for 12 years; but of late

being sued for the same and in danger of imprisonment and loss of my estate, I petitioned the late Council of State. They referred me to Parliament, and Parliament to the Commissioners for Administration of Justice in Scotland, who have made a report, which I offer you, with the Act for my indemnity. This business concerns more than my whole estate, and without aid I shall be cast into prison, and my wife and children reduced to extreme misery, to prevent which I beg you to command some way of indemnity, With reference thereon to Council, 29 March 1654. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

71. I. *Statement of his case. The sums taken up were very large, borrowed because there was not time to lay on assessments, and far exceeding any private man's fortune, as he entertained the army almost* 2 *years, and he was only to be responsible for those sums which he did not account for, but his accounts were full and particular, and he demanded no reward. In* 1641 *all these and like bonds were declared public debts, and a Committee was appointed to repay the moneys, and deliver the bonds to Sir A. Gibson; and most of the creditors produced their bonds, accepted public security therefor, and have received interest from the State. He begs stay of all suits thereon, and indemnity, wishing to live under the Protector and Commonwealth, as he did under the Estates of Scotland.* [1 *page.*]

71. II. *Comissioners for administration of justice in Scotland to Lord Gen. Cromwell, at the Cockpit. In answer to yours and the order of Parliament about Sir Alex. Gibson, we report that the debts were public debts, and part have been paid by the Scottish Parliament and Committee of Estates. From the universal penury of money here, he and others would be quite unable to raise money on their own estates towards such debts, and we think some course should be taken therein. Edinburgh,* 23 *Dec.* 1653. *Signed by Craighall, A. Peirson, Geo. Smyth, and E. Mosley.* [1 *page.*]

71. III. *Act of Parliament of Scotland, obliging the Estates to take upon themselves the debts incurred by the commissary-general and others, who have become security for repayment of moneys lent for the service.* 15 *Nov.* 1641. [1 *sheet.*]

April 28. Reference in Council of the petition to Lisle, Strickland, and Fiennes, to report. [*I.* 74, *p.* 77.]

April 28. **72.** Petition of Edw. Childe, merchant of London, to Council for a speedy hearing and relief, his case being committed to then by the Protector. Is unable to pay his debts of 300*l.*, having ha to spend his all and borrow money in pursuing a debt of 560 due to him 5 years since, through attendance on which he has lo

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his employment, and has nothing left but his credit and charity. Has had his case before the Judges of the Upper Bench, the Council of State, and twice before Parliament, to whom it was again referred, but not reported on account of the dissolution. [¾ *page.*]

April 28. Order thereon that the petitioner seek his remedy in Parliament or at law, as Council cannot give any order. [*I.* 75, *p.* 77.]

April 28. **73.** Petition of Lady Marg. Levingston, Bridget Bray, Judith Hobson, and Frances Blundell, to the Protector. Having brought great fortunes to our husbands, we had nothing settled on us for maintenance but life annuities under the Great Seal, amounting to 380*l.*, which have been allowed and partly paid by both Parliaments. We have no other maintenance and are in great distress and debt, having exhausted all our credit, and are all old, two being above 80. We beg a certain sum amongst us, in proportion to our annuities, for our present wants, and to stay our creditors, and a weekly allowance in future, that we may not starve and our blood cry against the State. We hope that you (having taken away the first Parliament, those self-seekers and our cruel oppressors, that you might settle and do justice, your sole aim and end), will be our good Joseph, in our great famine. With reference thereon to Council, 29 March 1654. [1 *sheet.*]

April 28. Reference thereon in Council to the Treasury Committee, to which, for this business, Cooper is added, to report. [*I.* 74, *p.* 77.]

April 28.] **74.** Petition of 5 servants to the late King, Queen, and Prince, to the Protector. On a vote of Parliament of 15 Nov. 1650, the late Revenue Committee signed a warrant for 3,744*l.* 7*s.* 9*d.* for us, viz., to Thos. Smithsby, 1,269*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.*, to John Blackwell, 1,496*l.* 1*s.* 2*d.*, to Nich. Bond, 192*l.* 5*s.*, to John Smith, 197*l.* 0*s.* 8*d.*; and to John Embree, 589*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*, being the remainder of greater sums ordered for our debts, to be paid out of arrears of rents and debts due to the Crown before 29 Sept. 1643, and we had an order therefor from you, to the Receiver-General of the Revenue, but he being discharged, all monies are now brought in to the Exchequer. We beg payment therefrom, according to the said vote of Parliament. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

74. I. *Order in Parliament for payment of* 10,581*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* *to the above named, and Corn. Holland, M.P., to whom* 2,536*l.* 15*s.* *is due from moneys arising from the sale of the goods of the late King, Queen, and Prince, to be deducted from the* 26,500*l.* *ordered for the Navy therefrom.* 15 *Nov.* 1650. [1 *page.*]

74. II. *Warrant from the Revenue Committee to Thos. Fauconberg, for payment accordingly.* 19 *Nov.* 1650. [*Copy,* 1 *page.*]

74. III. *Certificate from Fauconberg that of the* 8,045*l.* 3*s.* 7*d.* *ordered by Parliament to the petitioners,* 4,300*l.* 15*s.* 9½*d.*

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only has been paid, and therefore 3,744*l.* 7*s.* 9½*d. is still due.* 13 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

[April 28.] **75.** Like petition to the Protector; payment being restrained by the general order of Council of 17 June 1653. With reference thereon to Council. 5 April 1654. [1 *page.*]

April 28. **76, 76a.** Order in Council for payment of the sum from the said arrears due to the Crown, the order of restraint notwithstanding. Montague, Sydenham, and Jones to be a committee to distribute the moneys received from time to time in their respective proportions. Approved 4 May. With note by Falconberg that nothing has been paid thereon up to 29 Nov. 1654. Also note of an order 19 July 1655. [2 *copies. Also I.* 74, *pp.* 78–9.]

[April 28.] **77.** Petition of Sir Wm. Balfour to the Protector. Has been at great hazards in the late wars, and has 1,679*l.* 16*s.* due to him. Has had no allowance by the Committee of Accounts for his wagons, as all general officers have had, since they are absolutely requisite for carriage of necessaries. Also they defaulked from his pay 800*l.* freely given him for horse, arms, furniture, &c., when he first began to serve, and they have not allowed to him, as to others, 40 days' pay after the reducement. Begs payment of what is justly due, having no maintenance, and being in danger of arrest by his creditors. With reference to Council, 13 April, and note of an order, 13 Sept. 1655. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

77. I. *Certificate of the Accounts' Committee to the House of Commons, on an order of* 17 *November* 1646, *that there is due to him, in balance unpaid of* 7,252*l.* 5*s. due for service as Colonel, Lieut.-General, General of Horse, and Major,*

	£	s.	d.
On public faith - - -	1,466	17	0
Arrears on his accounnts for his service - - - -	211	13	0
	1,677	10	0

[1 *sheet.*]

April 28. Note that the petition was read in Council, and laid aside. [*I.* 74, *p.* 79.]

[April 28.] **78.** Petition of William, son and executor of Ant. Paul, merchant of London, to the Protector. The prizage of wines in London and the western ports was assigned to his father for a large sum by dame Marg. Waller, 28 Aug. 1640, for the remainder of a 99 years' lease granted by King James in 1607 to dame Anne Waller, and with a crown rent of 500*l.* a year.

Four years ago, the Customs' Commissioners began to charge customs on the said prizage wines, contrary to law, and it was taken

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off on complaint to the Revenue Committee, and reference to counsel, but since then it has been reinforced by the Customs' Commissioners, disabling him from paying his rent. Begs restoration of the customs unjustly taken, and an order to surcease further charge. With reference thereon to the Customs' Commissioners, to certify why they do not forbear taking tonnage for prisage wines. [1 *page.*] Also

Report of the said Commissioners that the prizage of wines is contrary to law, and was to make provision for the households of former princes, and allowed the patentee to take 2 tuns of wine from all vessels carrying 20 or more tuns, and 1 tun from those carrying 10 to 20.

That the tonnage and poundage law requires payment of 4*l.* 10*s.* on every tun imported, which the Commissioners have not power to remit, but they take the customs before the farmer for prizage takes his wines, and therefore they do not take custom for prizage. 21 Feb. 1653–4. With reference thereon to Council, to direct a speedy and effectual settlement, according to law. 14 April 1654. [1⅓ *page, on the same sheet as the petition.*]

April 28. Reference thereon in Council to the Treasury Commissioners, to report. [*I.* 74, *p.* 80.]

[April 28.] **79.** Proposals of Fras. Thomson and Hen. Cannon, purchasers of Windsor little park and meadows, made by order of 9 Feb. 1653–4 from the Committee appointed by Council to treat with purchasers.

We have not in any way impaired the premises by felling timber, &c., but have been at much charge in fencing, grubbing, molehill cutting, and tilling the ground; also we had to sell other estates at under value to complete our purchase, so that our damages amount to 400*l.*; but we will part with anything we have to accommodate his Highness and the government. With note of 20*l.* or 30*l.* spent since in grubbing. [1 *page.*]

April 28. Order in Council,—on a report by Cooper that the Committee has treated with Fras. Thomson about the purchase of Windsor little park, and he is willing to quit his interest therein, if he may have his purchase money refunded, and liberty to hold the same rent free till next Lady Day, in consideration of money spent by him about the land,—that it be approved, and the Treasuries' Committee learn if the money paid to the Treasurers for sale of the King's lands by the said purchasers be in cash and undisposed of, and if not, consider how money may best be raised, that the purchaser may be reimbursed on his making over his interest to the State. Approved 4 May. [*I.* 74, *p.* 80.]

[April 28.] **80.** Petition of Mary, Countess of Stirling, John Blount, her husband, Sir Robert Croke of Chequer, co. Bucks, and Susan his wife, Hen. Alexander *alias* Zinzan, and Jacoba his wife, and Sackvill and Peter Glenham, to Parliament, the countess, Susan, Jacoba,

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and Peter, being grandchildren of the late Sir Peter Vanlore, and the countess, Susan and Jacoba, heirs of Sir Peter, and of dame Mary, wife of Sir Edw. Powell, deceased.

Sir Peter settled Devizes Castle and Park, worth 600*l.* a year, and the $\frac{1}{5}$ of other land worth 2,500*l.*, on Lady Powell and her heirs, with reversion of the castle, &c. to his heirs, and the $\frac{1}{5}$ to the petitioners and his other grandchildren, and Lady Powell died without issue, 6 Oct. 1651, at Chelsea.

Lady Powell and her husband lived apart 15 years before her death, and she was much displeased with Thos. Levingston, a lawyer, who married Anne Cæsar, one of the grandchildren, for taking part with Sir Edward.

In September 1651, during Lady Powell's last illness, Sir Edward and Levingston, knowing that she had a great estate at her disposal, part with, and part without the consent of Sir Edward, contrived to gain it to themselves by unlawful practices. They, with Wm. Hinson, a lawyer, and near relative of Sir Edward, and a justice of peace for Middlesex, with armed guards, entered the house, dismissed all her servants and attendants, suing them on false charges, allowed no access to her friends, and compelled her to make a deed in their favour, granting them the said castle lands, &c. They then brought in Justice Warburton, before whom she levied fines, to their use. She also disposed to them a great personal estate of her husband's, although she had always detested the Levingstons.

They got a sequestered person to certify that Lady Powell was reconciled to her husband, and that they had taken the sacrament together, though the certificate was so suspicious that it was rejected in the Court of Common Pleas, where judges Puliston and Atkins said the practice was foul, but must be relieved by Parliament, being out of their power.

We attended Parliament $1\frac{1}{2}$ years, and they were so far sensible of the foulness of the crime that they excepted it from the Act of pardon, but never had time to hear it. We appeal to you for relief, and beg that these false deeds may be produced and vacated. Signed by all the parties, and by Abraham Van den Bemde. With reference thereon to Council, 13 April 1654. [$1\frac{1}{4}$ *sheet.*]

[April 28.] **81.** Like petition to the Protector, containing a brief summary of the above, and begging relief, which cannot be by any court of justice, but only by appeal to the supreme power. With like reference. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *sheet.*]

April 28. Order thereon in Council that the petitioners seek remedy in Parliament or at law, the case not being proper for Council. [*I.* 74, *p.* 81.]

[April 28.] **82, 83.** Petition of Nath. Markes, merchant, to the Protector. My sufferings on suspicion of uttering false money in Ireland [*see* 24 Feb. *suprà*] have continued 3 years, and though the Attorney-General reports that he has nothing whereon to proceed against me,

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they increase, by detention of my estate, and papers of accounts between me and other merchants, so that I shall be utterly ruined. I beg discharge and restoration. [2 *copies*, ½ *page*.]

[April 28.] **84.** Like petition for discharge of estate, and letters and papers both here and in Ireland, and delivery of bail bonds. I was ordered to be discharged on the Attorney-General's report, but the late Council of State having written to the Commissioners in Ireland to continue the seizure of my estate till further order, it will not be discharged nor my papers returned without your order. [1 *page*.] *Annexing,*

84. I. *Report of Att. Gen. Prideaux that he should be discharged for want of evidence, and no proceedings entered unless other evidence come in.* 31 *March* 1654. [¾ *page*.]

April 28. Order thereon—annulling the late order of the Council of State,—that his estate be discharged, his papers restored in England and Ireland, and his bail bonds delivered up. Approved 4 May. [*I.* 74, *pp.* 81, 82.]

April 28.] **85.** Petition of Peter Blondeau to the Protector's Council, to consider speedily a petition referred to them by his Highness, and the annexed orders, and according to their tenor, to order petitioner to be employed in the Mint, or dismissed and indemnified for his charges and losses, and his expenses in making patterns. 21 April 1654. [⅔ *page*.] *Annexing,*

85. I. *Orders in the Council of State relating to Blondeau of* 2 *Feb.* 1649–50, 5 *Feb.* 1650–1, *and* 15 *April* 1653.

Also orders in the Mint Committee; viz., 1 *May* 1651, *that as his patterns of coin are better than the present fashion, they should be used if they can be made at a moderate charge.*

9 *May* 1651, *that he make proof of his coining invention, bring in the pieces on* 3 *July with his proposition; be authorised to use the instruments now in Mr. Simons' hands, and to work either in Simons' house or elsewhere, as convenient.*

4 *July* 1651, *that he and Simons attend at* 8 *a.m. tomorrow, and bring Blondeau's newly stamped pieces, and the dies used by him in the work. Also order in Parliament* 15 *April* 1653 *that the Council of State report touching the preventing of clipping of money.*

With statement that on these orders, Blondeau made 300 *pieces, half crowns, shillings, sixpences, and some gold pieces, which Sir Jas. Harrington took to the Council of State when he made his report, and many have been taken by members of Council and of Parliament, and for a long time Blondeau could get none back, but a few were restored after the dissolution of the Parliament.* [2 *pages*.]

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April 28. Reference in Council of the petition to the Mint Committee, to which Strickland and Cooper are added, to report. [*I.* 74, *p.* 82.]

April 28. **86.** Petition of Geo. Warburton, sheriff of co. Chester, to the Protector. It was ordered by Parliament that the sheriffs should keep their courts monthly in the Common Hall of Pleas in Chester Castle, but Chester being visited with the plague, the assizes could not be held there, and the sickness still spreading, the inhabitants cannot safely come to a court within the Castle. Begs an order to keep his court at Nantwich or elsewhere, till it can go back to the castle without danger. With reference thereon to Council, 26 April, 1654. [1 *page.*]

April 28. Order in Council that Mackworth be desired to prepare an Ordinance accordingly, and present it to Council. [*I.* 74, *p.* 83.]

April 28. **87.** Petition of William and Mary Denny, prisoners in the Upper Bench, to the Protector. Major John Gunter, Mary's late husband, slain in Parliament service, bequeathed legacies to their children, but the executors, Hum. Gunter his brother, and Thos. Baily his brother-in-law, after getting 700*l.* of the property, and 20*l.* worth of apparel into their hands and paying nothing, relinquished the executorship, and Mary unadvisedly took out letters of administration, whereby she became liable to debts on bond of 2,000*l.*, for which they are both put in prison. There is a proviso in the will that if the estate do not pay the debts and legacies, the latter are to be proportionably abated. The State owes petitioners 929*l.* 6*s.* on public faith, which with the 720*l.* unjustly witheld would afford them some relief. Beg orders for payment of both sums, that they may be at liberty "in their old and very aged years." With reference thereon to Council, to order speedy payment of Major Gunter's arrears, as he was of great worth, and slain in the service. 14 April 1654. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

87. I. *Certificate by Edm. Adamson, clerk assistant, that the sums of* 720*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* *and* 208*l.* 10*s.* *are entered in the book of the Commissioners of Accounts as due to William and Mary Denny.* 1 *Feb.* 1654. [½ *page.*]

87. II. *Certificate by John Poyer, mayor of Pembroke, that Mrs. Gunter of Lamphey court, co. Pembroke, gave victuals specified, value* 208*l.* 10*s.*, *for the garrison there, between* 19 *Jan.* 1642–3 *and* 16 *Sept.* 1644. *Pembroke,* 19 *Sept.* 1644. [¾ *page.*]

87. III. *Public faith bill signed by Rowland Langharne, John Poyer, and* 5 *others, for payment to Mrs. Gunter of* 720*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* *for provisions, &c. given on the security of public faith, with interest at* 8 *per cent.* *Pembroke,* 30 *April* 1645. [1 *page.*]

87. IV. *Bill of the aforesaid provisions, received in the time of the greatest trouble.* 1 *May* 1645. [¾ *page.*]

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April 28. Whitehall.] **88.** Reference of the said petition to Sir A. A. Cooper, Major-Gen. Skippon, Mr. Rous, and Col. Fiennes, to examine the alleged debt of 929*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, and offer the best way for satisfaction, by discoveries or otherwise. [1 *page. Also I.* 74, *p.* 83.]

April 28? **89.** Petition of William and Mary Denny to the Protector, for speedy relief in lieu of the said order, to prevent their utter ruin, as being old and in prison, they cannot make discoveries, or sustain the violent persecutions of their adversaries. [⅔ *page.*]

April 28. **90.** Petition of Art. Ockley, preacher at West Mersey, Island of Mersey, to the Protector and Council, for settlement in his place till further order, the old incumbent, Mr. Woolace, sequestered for scandal, being still living. The parish was 6 or 7 years without a minister, is very unhealthy, and only worth 40*l.* a year; he was invited by Capt. Burrell, governor of the island, has been there 2 years, and the parishioners desire his confirmation. [⅔ *page.*] *Annexing,*

90. I. *Request of the said parishioners for his confirmation. Signed by John Smith, churchwarden, and* 14 *others,* 6 *of the signatures being marks.* 23 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

April 28. Order thereon granting the petition during sequestration of Mr. Woolace, or till further order. Approved 4 May. [J. 74, *p.* 84.]

April 28. **91.** Petition of the messengers attending Council to Council, for payment of their bills, that they may pay their debts and be able to serve, Mr. Jessop having stated their bills. One was drowned, another died from bleeding in their hazardous journeys, a third lingers in a sad condition, and the rest have spent much money in the service, which they they have had to take up on interest, having received nothing for their journeys for 9 months. [½ *page.*]

April 28. Order on this petition and Mr. Jessop's report of their disbursements, expenses, and allowances, that Jessop receive their bills, distinguish between the riding charges at 6*d.* a mile and other demands, and present them to Council. [*I.* 74, *p.* 85.]

April 28. **92.** Petition of Ant. De la Forest and Alex. de Lastre, French gentlemen, to the Protector, for a pass to transport 10 or 12 geldings, customs' free, for the Baron of St. Lambert. Have both been sent by the baron several times from France to England, on affairs of concern for the State, and been put to long and chargeable attendance, and are now returning till a fit time for effecting the propositions agreed on with the baron. Noted "Not agreed." [1 *page.*]

April 28. Note of its reading in Council. [*I.* 74, *p.* 86.]

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1. Jones and Strickland to consider a fit place to which to remove the books, papers, and transactions of the late Irish and Scotch

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Committee from the chair chamber in Whitehall, that they may be reserved for public use.

4. The petition of several persons concluded in Articles whereunto their names are subscribed referred to Lambert, Strickland, Fiennes, and Cooper, to report.

11. That of Col. Thos. Ceely referred to Skippon, Montague, Fiennes, and Sydenham, to report.

13. That of Lionel Beecher, merchant, referred to Cooper, Jones, Sydenham, and Strickland, to report.

16. The moneys due and in arrear to Col. Roseworne out of the Council's contingencies to be made up to one quarter and paid, and a warrant issued accordingly.

19. Thos. Smyth, of Wanstead, Essex, added to the Commissioners for the Monthly Assessment, and authorised to act accordingly for 6 months from Dec. 25, 1653, to June 14, 1654. Approved 4 May, as if his name had been particularly inserted therein.

22. The petition of Christopher Roshe, jeweller, to the Protector, to be made a free denizen, left to his Highness' pleasure.

23. That of John Allured to the Protector, referred by him to Council, referred to Fiennes, Sydenham, and Cooper, to report. [*I.* 74, *pp.* 76–85.]

April 28.
Navy Office.

93. The Navy Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. We are much troubled to see the merchant ships lying in the Hope at such a great charge, and to no purpose; for if his Highness have any design for them, as the common report is, they must come in and fit out again, and you have ships of your own of more importance, lying for want of men who might be had out of those ships, and the charge of freight, wages, and victuals of those officers saved, and also the great vexation and interruption to trade by impressing men might be prevented. [¾ *page.*]

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Plymouth Fort.

94. Capt. Thos. Saunders to Gen. Desborow. Coming here lately, I find Anna Trapnell sent prisoner from Cornwall, and by order of Council to be sent to Portsmouth in the first State's vessel for her trial, but there is none likely to go for a long time except commanded, and that I cannot do without order. Should I send one of those here with her and some prisoners of war that are in the castle, to Portsmouth? they are a great trouble to us, being forced to keep a guard of 16 men every night on account of the weakness of the place. [1 *page.*]

April 29.

94*a*. Report by Justice Edw. Atkins and Baron Fr. Thorpe on the reference to them of 13 April, of the Act for relief of creditors and poor prisoners, of 5 Oct. 1653. Though some of the powers therein given to the judges may be made serviceable, yet others should be considered, and in 22 particulars named, the powers given to the judges are so large as to put legislative authority into the hands of private men.

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1. The rehearing the cause of every prisoner's commitment, and the grounds of their debt and the verdicts against them, by which legal acts of justice may be overthrown.

2. The disposal of prisoners' estates, as tending to overthrow settlements, and cause great unsurety to purchasers, and breed much confusion.

3. The examination of fraudulent conveyances, which are already provided against by the Statutes of 13 and 27 Elizabeth.

4. The imprisoning, liberating, and sending to the pillory, house of correction, or workhouse, at their own pleasure, without legal trial, and without appeal except to Parliament, which is contrary to the fundamental laws of the nation.

Suggestion of 9 heads for a new Ordinance for relief of creditors against debtors who are able but not willing to pay, and for enlarging poor debtors who are unable to pay, but are kept in prison by cruel creditors. Signed. [9 *pages.*]

April 29. **95.** Account by Clement Kinnersley of his expenses in furnishing Sir Abr. Williams' house for the reception of the Dutch, and then of the French Ambassador; total, 25*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.* [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*] *Annexing,*

95. I., II. *Bill of Wm. Ridges for hire of* 2 *beds, one with purple velvet valence and curtains, counterpoint pillow cases trimmed with gold lace, quilt of yellow tapestry, and other bedroom furniture; total,* 13*l.* 2 *and* 23 *March* 1654. *Receipted.* 26 *April* 1654. [2 *papers.*]

95. III., IV. *Bill of Ralph Greinder for hire of* 2 *bedsteads, &c.* 8*l.* 6*s.* 19 *April* 1654. *Receipted at* 6*l.,* 21 *April* 1654. [2 *papers.*]

95. V. *Like bill of Hen. Creech for* 2 *beds and furniture,* 6*l.* 28 *Feb.* 1653–4. *Receipted* 22 *April* 1654. [*Scrap.*]

April 30. Dalkeith, 2 a.m. **96.** Wm. Clarke to Robt. Blackborne. Gen. Monk bids me to acquaint you that Vice-Admiral Lawson has come into Leith Road with the men-of-war, and that now the coasts are clear, he earnestly wishes the Gainsborough may be hastened away with the money, as it is much wanted. Middleton and Morgan continue in the same posture, one in Sutherland and the other at Dingwall, the former not at all increasing his force of 4,000, as, although he has daily accessions, others run away, and Col. Morgan has 2,500. These parts are very quiet and free from any Tories. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

[April.] **97.** Reply of Thos. Willis to John Bolles' answer to his petition to the Protector:—

1. In Aug. 1643 I had leave from the late House of Lords to go to my house in Hampshire, but the King's soldiers constrained me to go to Oxford. There I begged the King's leave to return to Westminster, but was refused, yet I returned 8 years ago, a year before the surrender of Oxford.

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2. I left Bolles my deputy as clerk of the Crown in Chancery during my absence, but he has no other grant, as he affirms he has.

3. On this ground the late Committee for Petitions refused him the fee of 60*l.* a year which he asked.

4. I did not desert my office, for I left Bolles, whom I trusted, access to all the books.

5. Bolles was sworn in only by the late Parliament, which is dissolved, and my patent has never been questioned. I therefore beg your Highness for a hearing.

6. I beg restoration to my place, which has never been forfeited by me or my son, with the fees which yet remain unpaid in the hanaper in Chancery, towards my subsistence and payment of my debts. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

97. I *Order in the House of Lords that Mr. Willis, clerk of the Crown in Chancery, attend next Wednesday peremptorily.* 1 *Dec.* 1643, [$\frac{1}{3}$ *page.*]

97. II. *Order in the Committee to whom the case was referred, some witnesses not being ready, that both parties attend on the* 13*th, and give in the names of their witnesses.* 11 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

97. III. *List of* 8 *witnesses to be summoned for Willis and* 22 *for Bolles, addressed to the Committee, Strickland, and Mackworth.* 11 *and* 13 *April* 1654. [2 *papers.*]

97. IV. *Order in the Committee that both parties attend with the witnesses named on* 21 *April, to be examined.* 14 *April.* [*Draft,* $\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

97. V. *Notes on the above case.* 14 *April.* [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

[April.] **98.** Ordinance for regulation of the Greenland fishing, that Fras. Ashe and 9 others nominated by the Muscovy Company, Arnold Becke and 3 others by Whitwell, Thos. Medowes and 4 others by Horth, Hum. Beane and 2 others by Batson, and Rich. Eccleston, and Rob. Ostler by the Hull Company, be the Committee to receive the adventurers' lists and securities, direct the ships, settle the dividends, &c., according to the regulations already proposed. [*Draft,* 6 *sheets.*]

April ? **99.** Petition of Thos. Currey, Thos. Hoskins, John Claydon, and Geo. Norbury, cursitors of Chancery for London and Middlesex, to the Protector. By ancient law, on the suing forth of every writ on actions of above 40*l.*, a fine proportioned to the sum demanded used to be paid to the supreme magistrate, whereby plaintiffs were restrained from demanding more than just debts and damages, and defendants preserved from oppression and unjust imprisonment for want of bail. Half these fines used to be allowed to the Lord Keeper and Master of the Rolls, and the other half given to the cursitors who made the writs, and it came to 500*l.* a year.

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By an Act of 1653 these fines were forbidden, to our ruin, our other profits not defraying our charges. Thus your revenue is impaired, and the Commissioners of the Great Seal paid out of the Treasury, and the ill-disposed can arrest for 10,000*l.* or 20,000*l.* as easily as for 100*l.*, and keep the party in prison till he find bail to so large an amount, which causes much more mischief than the payment of those fines. In former times the fines, if paid by all who ought to pay, would have come to 20 times as much. We therefore offer propositions for a great improvement in the revenue, and reformation in proceedings in courts of justice. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

April ? Petitions to the Protector of sundry inhabitants of the Mews, Whitehall, for continuance in their houses, rooms, or sheds there, which they have notice to quit, viz. :—

100. Mary, widow of John Alkin, sumpterman to the late King. Her 2 sons served in the Parliament army, and she has 3 small children. Begs 2 little rooms for herself and them, and for Frances, widow of Rich. Masters, who died through wounds in the service, and she built the room herself. [1 *page.*]

101. Ellen Foster, widow. Her husband was in the late King's service, and died before the wars, and she built herself, by leave, her shed in the Green Mews ; is 60, and has 3 children. [1 *page.*]

102. Anne, the widow, and the 3 children of Rob. Goswell, groom to the late King, who built a house and stable in the Mews, on ground given him by the King, and being sickly, put his brother William into the house to keep it ; but William being dead, Mary, his widow, withholds the house and goods. She is warned to leave, but they beg restoration to the premises, 300*l.* being due to Goswell for service to the late King. [1 *page.*]

103. Rob. Granger. Holds 4 or 5 rooms, worth 3*l.* a year, above the old forge in the Mews, built by his father-in-law, Rob. Trotter, serjeant to the late King, and given to his wife as her portion. Is a poor old barber, with wife and 6 small children. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

104. Edw. Howard. His late wife's father, who was coachman to King James, built by leave a house in the Mews, and left it to his wife. He served Parliament, and was several times wounded, but Rich. Painter, on an order from the Committee for disposing of the late King's houses, has taken 3 rooms of his house, and threatens to deprive him of the rest, to the undoing of himself and his poor child. Prays an order to the Committee for stay of proceedings. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

105. Margaret, widow of Gabriel Issingwood, one of the late King's coachmen, aged 80, for self and daughter, Sarah Jack, who has

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2 children. There is 800*l.* arrears due to her husband for service; he built the rooms by leave of the late King, and they are the whole subsistence of the family. [1 *page.*]

106. Thos. Manley. His father was purveyor for the Mews to the late King, had a house allotted, and spent 200*l.* in repairs. [½ *page.*]

107. Giles Pointer and 4 other grooms of the great horse stable to the late King. Built their lodgings over the cross stable and riding house, adjoining the dunghill yard in the Mews; are aged, poor, and have many children. [⅔ *page.*]

108. Elizabeth, widow of John Sanderson, waterman to the 2 last Kings, who erected lodgings near the smiths' forge, which are the only sustenance of herself and children. Her husband's arrears for service are 500*l.*, and he has only received 6*l.* the last 14 years. [1 *page.*]

109. And. Snape, marshal farrier, to the late King and his sons Charles and James. Built 4 rooms over the forge for himself and 14 children, 8 now living. Gave 300*l.* for his place to Duke Hamilton and Sir Hen. Vane, and has 900*l.* due for shoeing the late King's horses in 1641–2. [¾ *page.*] *Annexing,*

109. I. *Snape's bill for shoeing horses from* 1 *Jan.* 1641–2 *to last March* 1642–3; *total,* 900*l.* [*Scrap.*]

110. Humphrey and Anne Stevens. Had leave to build a little shed in the dunghill yard in the Mews. They are aged and poor, with 2 children, one of whom has been 9 years in the service. [½ *page.*]

111. Alex. Sympson, surveyor of the stables at Reading to the late King. By warrant from the late Duke of Hamilton, bought a place and house in the Mews, which, with the building, cost him 432*l.* Has nearly lost his life in the service, and paid all taxes and dues. [¾ *page.*] *Annexing,*

111. I. *Warrant by James Marquis of Hamilton, quartermaster of the horse, to the surveyor of the Mews, to grant Sympson* 20 *feet by* 14 *ground in the Upper Mews.* 19 *July* 1642. [½ *page.*]

111. II. *Certificate by Edm. Mason, Peter Everett, and Wm. Booth, that Sympson, on* 26 *March* 1645, *was surprised by a party of the king's horse at Stokenchurch, and refused to surrender till they were going to fire the house, and he heard the cries of the master and family. That they robbed and stripped, and drove him barefoot to the blind house, Wallingford, where he was twice warned to prepare for death, and had no food but from charity. Also that he was then employed in buying horses for Parliament.* 5 *Feb.* 1651–2. [1 *page.*]

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112. Dan. Winn. Is keeper of both the Mews, by warrant of Lieut.-Gen. Fleet[wood], 1 April 1651. Has many certificates of fidelity. [1 *page.*]

113. Dorothy Woodland and 4 other widows, ages 60 to 80, of servants to the late King, whose husbands built lodgings over the stables in the dunghill yard, and never served against Parliament. Have no other livelihood, and no parish will entertain them without means and security to free the parish from charge. [1 *page.*]

April. **114.** Account by Thos. Biggs, surgeon, for attendance and medicine to sick and wounded men at Deptford, Blackwall, Limehouse, Ratcliff, Shadwell, and Wapping; total 150*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.*; referred by the Commissioners for Sick and Wounded to the Master and Wardens of Barber Surgeons' Hall to certify what should be allowed; their report, 10 April, that 120*l.* should be allowed; and certificate of Robt. Smyth, 18 April, that the number cured was 218. [*Book of* 19 *written and* 7 *blank pages.*]

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May 1. **1.** Petition of the meal men of London and Southwark to the Protector. Ill-disposed persons have taken advantage of the Act of 21 Oct. 1650, concerning meal, and live by the practice of informing, to our undoing. The Act was passed on misinformation; the selling of meal in shops was never any prejudice, as pretended, as the complaints of thousands of poor against the Act testify. The Act deprives us of the privileges of trade in our own shops enjoyed by all other freemen of London. We beg its suspension. 12 signatures. With reference thereon to Sir Wm. Roberts, Aldermen Ireton and Andrews, Mr. Fountaine, and Mr. Parker of Worcester House, 22 Feb. 1653–4. [1¼ *page.*] *Annexing,*

1. I. *Particulars of the grievances of the mealmen :—*

(1.) *The Act forbids, under heavy penalties, the selling of meal in any house or shop except the market place.*

(2.) *It was brought about by the bakers and clerks of the market, for their own private gain.*

(3.) *We were falsely charged with causing the dearness of bread, whereas it was then dear in the country.*

(4.) *It is an exceeding grievance to the poor, who have not always money to go to market on market days, or live far from the market.*

(5.) *We are sueable in any court of record, and so have been continually vexed in the sheriffs' court in*

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London, whereas by the Act of 21 James for the relief of the poor against informers, such offences were only to be prosecuted at the assizes or sessions.

(6.) *When, at the importunity of the poor, we have ventured to sell them a little meal, we have been forced to compound with informers, or suffer 7l. or 8l. damage by prosecution, besides two months' imprisonment; one of us lost 30l., and another is now in prison, though 5l. had been extorted from him by the informer.*

(7.) *The informers become partners to share in all prosecutions, sue us in several courts for the same offence, and hire stragglers to importune us for God's sake to sell them a little meal, and then to testify against us.* [1 *page.*]

May 1. **2, 3.** Report on the above that the selling meal in shops on any day but the market day is no prejudice but an advantage.

That the bolting or sifting of corn, also forbidden by the Act, is no injury when wheat is 5s. a bushel or under, and that therefore the restraint should be taken off. That for preventing any mixture with the meal, the constables should be authorised to search shops where flour is sold, and to inforce the penalties of the Act where deceit is used. With reference thereon to Mr. Parker to prepare an Ordinance for Council, to whom his Highness refers the case for speedy and effectual remedy. [2¾ *pages.*]

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An Ordinance of 26 April 1654, for release of the Anthony, approved by the Protector. [*I.* 74, *p.* 87.]

May 1. Yarmouth. **4.** Major Wm. Burton to the Admiralty Committee. I have delivered your instructions to Capt. Felstead, and also ordered him to call for the Wells men and others at their several ports, but to hasten away as soon as he can. I have engaged a vessel to carry your packet express to Vice-Admiral Lawson. I will hasten out the two great frigates, but I have as much business as I can attend to, what with these and those at Colchester and Walderswick.

By the last post I perceive the union between England and Scotland is confirmed, and so commodities forbidden for England are also forbidden for Scotland, whereby the merchants here are at a stand, for they have 6 ships at Bordeaux, laden with French wine. They desire leave to bring them into England or Scotland, they paying the customs, or they will have great losses. I have an interest in two of them. [1⅓ *pages.*]

May 1. Black Raven, Fiall Road. **5.** Major Robt. Sedgwick to the Admiralty Committee. We left the Isle of Wight 15 March, and with a good wind in 8 days got 250 leagues west of Land's End, taking a Dutch ship laden with arms, &c. . Since then we have had terrible storms, fire balls shoot-

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ing into us; but on 20 April we made the Western Islands, where I careened and stopped leaks; the Dutch ship being then, at a council of war, deemed unfit for the voyage, I have ordered her home under Lieut. Rich. Thurston. I have discharged Mr. Holcroft as a drunkard. We take Halsie, the gunner, with us. The other seamen return in the ship.

The truth is, we were fitted out with a bad ship and wicked crew, but God will recompense your labours of love to his poor saints in New England, as you sincerely intend the good of a poor people wayfaring in the wilderness. I beg your prayers and counsels. [1½ *pages.*]

[May 2.] **6.** Petition of Edw. Elvines, alderman of Worcester, to the Protector, to consider his great expenses and sufferings for the public, and give him an estate to live upon in his old age.

Has all along been engaged for Parliament. Was obliged to fly his country for opposing the Commissioners of array; then did his best to engage men when the Earl of Essex came to Worcester. Fled again when Sir Wm. Russell took the city, and was away 4 years till it was reduced. His whole estate being exposed to the enemy, had to live on credit. Was persuaded to become mayor on faithful promise of reimbursement of all charges, there being no other that they would confide in; but Col. Rainsborough being called away, and the Committee dissolved, he had to undergo that great charge for which he is still in debt.

Has been in public service ever since. When the Scots came to Worcester last, was obliged to fly a third time, but returned with the Parliament army. Was then again persuaded by his Highness to take the government of the city, to the hazard of his life among the sick Scots, and is now unable to serve, having hardly a subsistence. With reference thereon to Council, 12 April 1654. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

6. I. *Order in Parliament, referring the petition of Elvines to the Committee appointed to consider of the well-affected who suffered at the siege of Worcester.* 9 *March* 1651–2. [½ *page.*]

6. II. *Report by the said Committee that* 600*l. should be paid him from the estates of those delinquents, co. Worcester, who assisted the Scottish king in the late engagement at Worcester.* [⅓ *page.*]

6. III. *Order at the Committee for petitions that Alderman Ireton report his petition to Parliament for their pleasure.* 7 *Dec.* 1653. [½ *page.*]

May 2. **7.** Report from the Committee of Council on the building at the west end of Paul's, on conference with Committees of the city of London and for sale of Dean and Chapter Lands, with Col. Webb, Surveyor-General, and Rob. Walton, who purchased the land.

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1654. May 2. The city alleges that it is a common burying place, that building will straiten the passage, and that it is a fit place to gather soldiers: The Surveyor-General says it is part of your possessions, and was sold as such; that when it was sold, the city surveyors had notice, and intended a report to the Court of Aldermen, but the facts not appearing fully, the city referred the whole case to the Commissioners for removing obstructions, and meantime Walton was desired to surcease further building. 25 April 1654. [1½ *pages.*] *Annexing,*

7. I. *Report by Edw. Jerman, on an order of the Court of Aldermen* 16 *March,* 1653–4, *that he and Peter Mills, the* 2 *surveyors of the chamber of London, should represent, in writing, the inconvenience of building on the void piece of ground at the west end of Paul's church :—*

1. *It has always been a waste place, with no house or buildings, for the benefit of light and air to the adjacent inhabitants.*
2. *It would much straighten the passage, there being a great concourse of passengers, horse and foot, coaches, carts, &c., towards Ludgate, and people are now often hurt on Ludgate Hill.*
3. *It will dishonour the State and city, this being the usual place for reception of ambassadors, who pass from the city to Westminster.*
4. *It has been a burying place in times of contagion and plague, when other places have been oppressed with corpses.*
5. *This ground and the new portico lately built at the west end of Paul's would be convenient for drawing up a body of soldiers to suppress tumult or insurrection.*
8. *In the Act for sale of bishops', deans', and chapters' lands, churches, and churchyards are excepted, and to remain as they were.*
9. *There is no other place to lay materials, in case of repair of the church or neighbouring houses.*
10. *If these buildings be erected as intended, the west entrance of the church will be obstructed, and the light both of the church and portico so obscured that they will be useless.* 16 *March* 1653–4. [1½ *pages.*]

7. II.—V. *Depositions of Rich. Okes, haberdasher, parish of Bennett, Paul's Wharf, aged* 76 *; of Rob. Chipp, gent., Christchurch parish, aged* 71 *; of Rich. Andrews, gent., of St. Alphage's, aged* 61 *; and of John Povall, leatherseller, Gregory's, aged* 46 *; that they have known the piece of ground railed in at the west end of Paul's all their lives,*

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and that it has always been used as a place for the inhabitants to walk in, and also as a burial place for the dead from neighbouring families. 20 *April* 1654. [4 *papers.*]

May 2. Reference thereon by Council to the Commissioners for removing obstructions about sale of Dean and Chapter lands, to report. [*I.* 75., *p.* 262.] *Annexing,*

8. I. *Report by the Commissioners, that during the erection many bones and skulls were dug out; that the land belonged to the Bishop of London, and has been* 55 *years void; with numerous depositions and particulars relating to the ownership of buildings in or near Paul's churchyard. Jan.* 1654–5. [9 *pp.*]

[May 2.] **9, 10.** Petition of Rob. Wood, Wm. Barnes, Jos. Cubitt, and Miles Pile, owners of the Mary and Joan, now the Young Prince, to the Protector. Coming 2 years since from Newfoundland, laden with fish and train oil, and bound for England, we were surprised by a Dutch man-of-war and carried into Flushing last December. Our ship, being laden by the States with wines in France, and bound for Holland, was retaken by the Nonsuch, brought into Falmouth, and condemned as a Dutch prize, though the States had no other right to it than capture. We knew nothing of the matter till the sentence was passed, but now we beg to put in our claim in the Admiralty Court, and to have the ship restored on paying salvage, according to the Act of Parliament. With reference thereon to the Admiralty Commissioners, 5 April, and their report, 11 April, that the Admiralty judges should admit the claim, the lapse of time and the adjudication notwithstanding. [1½ *pages.*]

May 2. Order in Council accordingly. [*I.* 75, *p.* 262.]

May 2. **11.** Petition of William Viscount Monson to the Protector. On marriage with my late wife Frances, in May 1646, I was drawn to settle Tidwell Farm, Kent, worth 100*l.* a year, and Craft, Reigate, and Howleigh manors, worth 1,300*l.* a year, being my whole estate, on myself for life, with remainder to my eldest son in tail, with power of revocation to me and my wife, who died before revocation. As my son is only 7 years old, I cannot dispose of any part of the estate, either to pay my debts or provide for my younger children. I beg an order to the Common Bench judges to suffer a common recovery against my son, by his guardian, of Tidwell Farm, worth only 100*l.*, a year, re-settling the 1,300*l.* a year on him. With reference thereon to Council, 12 April, 1654. [⅔ *page.*]

May 2. Note that the petition was read, but Council did not think fit to make any order therein. [*I.* 75. *p.* 263.]

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May 2. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Army Committee to prepare an Ordinance for continuing the Act of Monthly Assessments, and present it to Council.

2. Order that—as the Commissioners for Inspecting Treasuries have, on an order of 6 March last, certified that the salaries of 500*l.* a year for each of the 3 Admiralty Judges would be best paid out of the Customs,—a warrant be prepared to the Commissioners of Customs authorising the payments in future. Approved 4 May.

3, 4. Order on a report from the Admiralty Commissioners concerning the discharging of some merchants' men-of-war from the service, and the calling in of some of the State's ships, and the designing of money in order thereunto, that all the merchant ships now employed as part of the fleet of the commonwealth be forthwith discharged, and the Admiralty Commissioners take order accordingly. Approved 4 May.

5. **12.** Such of the new coined money as now remains in the Tower, under Col. Barkstead's charge, to be applied by the Admiralty Commissioners to defray the charge of freight and wages for the ships to be discharged, and the Lieutenant of the Tower to issue the same to those whom the said Commissioners shall appoint. Approved 4 May.

6. All cash arising from sale of prize goods, above what is designed for sick and wounded, widows and orphans, to be used to pay off discharged ships. The collectors for prize goods to issue it as directed by the Admiralty Commissioners. Approved 4 May.

7. **13.** Those Commissioners to report what persons may best examine the accounts of the Commissioners and Collectors of Prize Goods.

8. The petition of Ed. Stephens referred to Capt. Stone, Col. Goffe, Col. Clerke, Scout Master Gen. Downing, and Maj. Heanes, to examine witnesses, and report.

9. That of Sam. Boothouse, late consul in Tunis, and the merchants trading thither, referred to the Admiralty Commissioners, to report.

10. **14.** Order on Sir A. A. Cooper's report,—that it appears on inquiry that the money paid in by Fras. Thomson to the Treasurers for sale of the late King's lands for the little park at Windsor, the king's meadows, and the Bushy Close is not in cash but disposed of, and that it may best be repaid from the treasury at Drury House —that Att.-General Prideaux is to see that Thomson's interest therein is transferred to the Protector, and that on this being done, he shall be repaid the 3,473*l.* 5*s.* which he paid to the treasurers at Worcester House. With certificate by Prideaux, 16 May, that Thomson and also Hen. Cannon have signed and sealed the transfer. Approved 4 May.

11. The petition of Maurice Wynn and John Ayton referred to the Committe on Sir Wm. Killigrew's petition, to report; Col Fiennes added to the Committee.

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May 2. 13. Col. Fiennes added to the Committee on Col. Wm. Jephson's petition.

15, 21. Mr. Scobell to prepare an Ordinance for reviving the former power of the Commissioners for inspecting Treasuries during 3 months; which being done, it was twice read, passed, and ordered to be presented to his Highness.

19. Order that the supernumeraries raising the Protector's regiment of foot from 700 to 1,200, whereof 300 are commanded to sea, be continued to 900 for 1 month; the Army Committee to issue warrants to the Treasurer-at-war for their payment accordingly. Approved 4 May.

20. The petition of Polycarpus Rock and John Orme referred to Skippon, Rous, and Sydenham, to report.

22. The Ordinance for settling the Court of Exchequer to be committed to the Committee for Treasuries, to report.

23. The petition of the Governor and Company of Merchants trading to the Levant seas referred to the Commissioners to treat with the French Ambassador, to report.

24. The reports depending before Council to be considered before reading any more petitions.

25. Order on report from the Admiralty Committee, on petition of Thos. Kendal, that the Admiralty judges proceed to judgment on the St. Lewis of Dieppe and her lading, and if it be condemned, that the sale of the hull be suspended 10 days after sentence. *Annexing,*

15. I. *Admiralty judges to the Admiralty Committee. Account of the case of St. Lewis of Dieppe, detailing her lading, part of which is owned by Thos. Kendall, and by English planters in Barbadoes. Doctors' Commons,* 3 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

15. II. *Report by the Admiralty Commissioners alluded to* [*see* 28 *March, suprà*], *on the account from the Admiralty judges, that the ship and part of the goods belong to French merchants, and the rest to English merchants, but that, as the case is not ripe for judgment, it should be left to the Admiralty judges.* 7 *April* 1654. [⅔ *page.*]

26. The petition and papers of Edm. Child, lately set aside, to be delivered to him.

27. The Council adjourn till 11 a.m. to-morrow. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 259–264.]

May 3. **16.** Petition of the overseers of the son of Col. Thos. Horton to the Protector and Council, that all or part of his arrears may be paid from some certain treasury, for the child's use. He did good service, and waited on his Highness in the expedition to Ireland,

where he died, but only left his son 500*l.*, beside his arrears. He could not have his accounts audited except for services done under the new model, which are 1,400*l.*, on account of his going into Ireland, though he was an officer from the beginning of the war, and so lost the opportunity of payment. [1 *page.*]

May 3. Reference thereon to Major-Gen. Lambert, Col. Jones, and Mr. Strickland. [*I.* 75, *p.* 267.]

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1. The petition of the officers of arms referred to Cooper, Lisle, Fiennes, Strickland, Rous, and Mackworth, to report.

2. That of Sir Wm. Parsons, and Dame Katherine his wife, referred to Lisle, Cooper, Mackworth, and Strickland, to report.

3. Sir Thos. Viner, Lord Mayor, and Serjt. Steele, Recorder of London, to consider a printed paper published by one who lives at the second door in Eagle and Child Alley, Shoe Lane, calling himself a student in astrology and physic, and pretending to undertake resolutions of all questions contained in the said paper, and to send for the said party, and examine him and the paper, proceed against him according to law, and report.

4. The report from the Committee on the petition of adventurers for lands in Ireland, and the matters therein contained agreed with.

6. The Ordinance for the great level of the Fens, now presented by Cooper, to be read first of all to-morrow.

8. On report from the Committee, an Ordinance for satisfying the arrears of officers and soldiers by the sale of several forests read, and ordered to be read again next Friday.

10. Pickering, Strickland and Jones to contract on the best terms for 3 suits of hangings, mentioned in a note of C. Kinnersley's, and to report.

13. Mackworth added to the Committee for bringing in an Ordinance for ejecting scandalous ministers.

14. Order on Col. Matth. Alured's letter to Thurloe of April 17, that the officers, customers, &c. of the port of Chester permit 270 bags of biscuit and 6 tons of cheese shipped there by his direction for the garrison of Ayr, in Scotland, to pass duty free. Approved 4 May.

15. **17.** Order referring a paper by Thos. Fauconberg,—certifying sums amounting to 7,282*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.* in arrears due from several persons to the public revenue, to the Treasury Committee,—who are to consider the best means for getting them in. *Annexing,*

	£	s.	d.
17. 1. *Paper alluded, the debtors being—*			
Wm. Hodges for alnage of cloth -	3,146	9	10
Edw. Basse, receiver of cos. Notts and Derby - - - - -	1,830	15	0¾

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	£	s.	d.
Edw. Basse, for tenths of clergy - -	598	0	2¾
Sir John Curzon, receiver of the duchy of Lancaster - - - -	600	0	0
Sir John Fenwick, for rents and fee farms in Northumberland - -	1,107	6	8½
	£7,282	11	10

With note of ineffectual orders issued for payment thereof. 27 *April* 1654. [2 *pages.*]

16. Order that whereas Rob. Wickens, minister of Toddenham, co. Gloucester, has with great pains and industry composed a complete concordance of the Bible, which for smallness of volume and price, is of more general use than any yet extant, and has appointed Thos. Robinson, bookseller of Oxford University, to print it; that the said Robinson have the sole license of printing and publishing it. The master and wardens of the Stationers' company to enter this order in their register, for its better observance. Approved 4 May.

18. On signification by Major-Gen. Lambert of his Highness' pleasure, it is added to the instructions of Gen. Monk, commander-in-chief in Scotland, that if he sees cause to suspect any son or servant of being engaged in the rebellion, with consent of his father or master, he shall be at liberty to seize the latter and keep them under restraint, till the former give themselves up.

19. John Cole appointed to be preacher at Debenham, co. Suffolk, the late incumbent being sequestrated, and the place void by departure of Mr. King, who was put into that sequestration. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 265–9.]

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Yarmouth.

18. Major Wm. Burton to the Admiralty Committee. Capt. Stayner of the Plymouth has come in without meeting the Vice-Admiral. This morning we broke open the chests of coin, to see what was in them; they contain Dutch shillings and double stivers, value 6,000 guilders each, for which I have given the Captain a receipt.

I sent away the packet to the Vice-Admiral in the Forth. One of the frigates broke her mast, but was repaired on the Lord's day, and has sailed. [1 *page.*]

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19. Capt. Rich. Stayner to the Admiralty Committee. I have been plying on and off my station with the Amity, but have not seen any Hollanders. We took a dogger with 240 barrels of cod, bound for Flanders, and delivered her to the collectors at Yarmouth. Two Hamburghers whom I met say there were 12 Holland men-of-war at the Fly, who told them there was peace with England, and yet are looking for English private men-of-war. I could not join

Vice-Admiral Lawson, as he was not to be found, and am now waiting further orders. I delivered the two chests containing 12,000 guilders to Major Burton, and he will send the receipt. [2 *pages.*]

May 4. **20.** Petition of the masters and wardens of the handicraft companies of London, viz., merchant tailors, weavers, comb makers, hatband makers, cutlers, and card makers, to the Protector. We hear that the French and Holland strangers in and about London have petitioned Parliament, not only for the free exercise of their religion, but for the free use of their trades. The case was referred to the Council of State, who wrote to the lord mayor to order suspension of all proceedings against Protestant strangers for exercising their vocations. We requested a hearing and a copy of the petitions, both of which were granted, and a Committee of Council appointed thereon.

As the business concerns the whole city and nation, we petitioned the lord mayor and aldermen, who referred us to Ald. Packe and others. They reported our grievances, and the recorder and Ald. Packe and Tichborne were ordered to report to Council the manifold abuses committed by strangers. These they presented to you 11 Jan. last, and we have attended daily since for a determining of the premises, but could get no hearing. Meanwhile the Council of State's order prevents our obtaining the benefit of the laws against strangers.

We have observed the late Parliament and Council of State to be very ready to answer the desires of the aliens, (though they are no way beneficial to the nation, nor do they assert our cause, but rather that of the enemies), but you spoke to the late Council on the justness of our cause. We beg expedition, the occasion being emergent. The English are violently prosecuted by strangers beyond sea, and discharged by the governors of the country from following their trades as masters. 24 signatures. With reference thereon to Council. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

20. I. *Statement by the native manufacturers and tradesmen of reasons why aliens should not trade in or near London, and of the mischiefs which would follow.*

That the number of native artisans is more than enough, and their skill equal to that of strangers.

That natives are compelled to serve apprenticeships, are incorporated and punished for bad or deceitful work, and have to pay towards their companies, and also to pay assessments, so that strangers who have not these burdens can undersell them, invite over their own countrymen, and ingross trade. They take large houses, divide them, take inmates, and so breed infection.

They are maintained by getting what we should else have for our maintenance, so that we can hardly live.

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Divers Parliaments have been so sensible of this that they have made sundry statutes against strangers from Edw. IV. to Hen. VIII.

The handicraft men are the nursery of soldiers, and all the army being such, if it were disbanded, they would want employment, strangers having engrosed it, because being generally disaffected, they stayed at home whilst the English engaged for Parliament, so that the latter have now to turn to dishonourable employments, as porters, chimney sweepers, &c.

If their being protestants, fled hither because of persecution, be an argument that they should trade, it is a better argument for the natives. The law allowed them to work as servants to English masters, but they should not be masters, for it is not prudent to gratify them and discontent us. All other nations prefer their natives to strangers, and an Englishman is only allowed to work as a servant in France or Germany. [1 *sheet.*]

20. II. *Statement by* 35 *Englishmen, in contradiction to a report that English artizans and professors of sciences residing beyond seas are allowed to practise their trades as the natives, that they and other English in Paris and elsewhere have had their tools taken and destroyed, been reviled, beaten, and imprisoned for working as masters, and that they are only tolerated as servants and journeymen. They beg that strangers may not by such toleration eat the bread out of their mouths. Signed by* 7 *painters,* 3 *goldsmiths,* 3 *joiners,* 5 *cutlers,* 12 *tailors,* 1 *combmaker, and* 4 *weavers.* [1 *sheet.*]

May 4. COUNCIL OF STATE. Day's Proceedings.

1. The petition of the master, wardens, and company of vintners in London referred to the Treasury Committee, to report.

3. The Ordinance prepared for the great level of the fens to be read first to-morrow.

4. The report concerning the government of Jersey to be considered next.

Then the paper concerning the Portuguese proceedings at the New exchange.

Then the Ordinance for settling the post office to be read again.

7. Mr. Scobell to prepare an Ordinance for continuing the power of civil officers for administration of justice in Scotland, and report.

8, 31. On Lambert's report from the Committee, an additional Ordinance for the Excise read, amended, and to be presented to the Protector. Being approved by him, passed, and ordered to be printed and published.

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10. **21.** Order—on representation that the goods in the Samson, Salvadore, St. George, Golden Morning Star, and St. Augustine, having remained many months in warehouses, will decay and be rendered of little value to the State or their claimers, if order be not taken for their disposal;—that the Admiralty Commissioners order their sale, unless on speaking with Dr. Walker, they see cause to the contrary; if they are sold, Council will order satisfaction to those claiming interest in them according to their rate of sale, if, on determing their claims in the Admiralty Court, there shall appear just cause. Approved 4 May.

11. The Lieutenant of the Tower to be at liberty to bring into the Court of Upper Bench Rob. Thorpe, prisoner there, on a writ of Habeas Corpus.

12. Like order to bring Edward, Earl of Worcester, into the Court of Chancery.

13. The Committee on the Ordinance for highways to prepare and bring into Council a proviso relating to the carriage of great guns, timber, and other necessaries for the navy and army, that where more horses are necessary, the persons employed in such draughts are to incur no penalty thereby.

14. Council adjourns till 6 p.m.

15. Approval by the Protector of 26 orders, 18 Apr.–4 May.

19. **22.** The Admiralty Commissioners to order a ketch of 6 or 8 guns to be sent to Carrickfergus, where the commander is to attend the orders of Col. Matt. Alured.

20. Also to give a warrant to the ordnance officers to put aboard the ketch 200 shovels and pickaxes for the forces under Col. Alured.

21. Also to cause the first 100 tents ready of the 1,000 to be provided for the forces in Scotland to be shipped aboard the ketch, and disposed of as Col. Alured shall direct.

24. Also to cause 1,000 pairs of shoes to be forthwith provided and sent to Carrickfergus aboard the ketch.

25. Also to order the commanders of the Advantage frigate, and Hare ketch, now on the west of Scotland, to repair to Carrickfergus, give notice of their arrival to Col. Alured, and follow his orders.

26. Ald. Whalley of Chester to cause 20 tuns of beer to be provided at Chester, and shipped with the biscuit and cheese for the forces in Ireland.

27, 28. The orders made this day for the Lieut. of the Tower to bring Col. Thorpe to the Upper Bench Bar, and the Earl of Worcester to the Chancery revoked, and the Lieut. of the Tower ordered to forbear to bring up Col. Thorpe, any writ of Habeas Corpus notwithstanding.

29. Order that the 345*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* paid to Sir Thos. Viner, late sheriff and now mayor of London, which was to remain in the sheriff's hands by Parliament order of 1 Feb. 1648–9, on petition of the master, wardens, &c. of the Vintners' Company, London

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remain there, and be not paid out without order of his Highness, and Council.

30. The Ordinance for further doubling upon and finishing the sale of Dean and chapter lands being approved by his highness, was passed, and ordered to be printed and published.

33. An Ordinance for reviving an Ordinance appointing Commissioners for inspecting the treasuries passed.

35. A commission of Oyer and Terminer to be issued to 3 common lawyers, 3 civilians, and 3 gentlemen, for the trial of Don Pantaleon de Saa and the rest of the Portuguese, and also such English as were engaged in that business at the New Exchange.

36. The petition of Cornet Ed. Cooke and Lucretia his wife, late wife of Thos. Pluncket, referred to the Admiralty Commissioners, to report.

37. The Attorney General to confer with the trustees of Worcester House about Col. Rob. Thorpe's proceedings in counterfeiting debentures, to consider the best way of obtaining satisfaction, and to report, in order to his prosecution. [*1.* 75, *pp.* 269–274.]

May 4. **23, 24.** Ordinance that the Ordinance of 31 Dec. 1653, appointing Commissioners for inspecting the Treasuries, be revived, and stand in force till further order. [2 *copies.*]

May 4. **25.** Additional Ordinance for the Excise by the Protector and Council, annulling the clause in the Ordinance of 17 March last, that all goods not specially rated, except bullion, corn, victuals, arms, ammunition, and ordnance pay 5 per cent. import duty, to be paid by the first buyer, and substituting one ordering the custom to be paid by the first buyer from the merchant or importer, and adding sheep's wool to the exceptions.

Also that henceforth, for reducing the charge of officers, the Excise revenues be but one receipt, and no separate accounts kept for new imposts, except that the moiety of fines towards maimed soldiers and widows be kept apart, according to Parliament Order, 13 July 1647.

Also that for their further relief, 26,260*l.* be paid by weekly portions, in lieu of all other moneys assigned them by Parliament.

The Commissioners to issue moneys by order of the Protector and Council, and to repay Excise on the export of any imported goods on which duty has been fully paid. [4 *pages. Also Excise collection of Acts, pp.* 122–130, *Vol.* 98, *June* 1655.]

May 4. **26.** Dr. John Godolphin to Wm. Jessop. By order of Council of 2 May 1654, the Admiralty judges are empowered to admit the claim of Robert Wood, Miles Pile, and others, to the Young Prince, formerly the Mary and Joan. The attestations of their propriety therein, annexed to their petition, are supposed now to remain in the Council. The petitioners desire their transmission to the Admiralty Court, and I beg their dispatch also.

P.S.—The judges beg you to expedite their salaries by the speediest procuring of his Highness' signature to the order, which done transmit it to us, that we may signify our respects to you for so obliging us. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

May 5. **27.** Petition of Sampson Estwick, jun., to the Protector and Council, for a license to export 200 firkins of butter, which is already so much decayed that no one here will buy it, as there is so much in England, and if it is not sold at once, he will be a great sufferer. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*] *Annexing,*

27. I. *Step. Estwick to Mr. Jessop. Pray assist my son to obtain a license to ship butter not vendible here.* 5 *May* 1654. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

27. II. *Warrant to the Customs' Commissioners to allow Joan Sharp to export* 700 *barrels of north country butter, value* 4*d. a pound.* 23 *Nov.* 1653. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

May 5. **28.** Petition of Josias Dewye to the Protector. By reason of the scarceness of brimstone, ordered the bringing in of 10 tons, lest there should be want of it in making gunpowder for the State, and daily expects its arrival. Begs an order to the Customs' Commissioners to give leave for its landing and taking away. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

May 5. Order thereon for the Commissioners to permit its landing. Approved 1 June. [*I.* 75, *p.* 275.]

May 5. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

2. The Ordinance for preservation of the work of the great level of the Fens read the 1st time, and ordered to be read the 2nd time next Tuesday.

3. Order on a debate on the petition of Sir Wm. Killigrew and other adventurers about draining the Fens, and the great level between Bourne, Boston, and Lincoln, and so up to the Trent, commonly called Lindsey Level, that Council will proceed in the business of the said level, and that the Committee on this petition consider the whole matter, and report.

4. In pursuance of several orders, six warrants for payment of money, 17 March–4 May, were this day signed. [*I.* 75, *p.* 275.]

May 5. London. Levant Company to Spencer Bretton, consul at Smyrna. Since our last of 9 Jan., we have received yours of 7 Sept., relating the mishap brought on the Stamboline by the Captain Basha, and the means you used for her release, which we approve. The ship has arrived here, and is now returning to you. See that the $2\frac{1}{4}$ dollars per cloth is paid on goods that have escaped duty here, besides the consulage. Trade will we hope improve on the peace with the United Provinces, so that we hope the duties will clear our bills of exchange and our debts, but let the leviation of 4 dollars a cloth be continued till we are totally eased.

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To encourage you, we resolve to continue your gratuity, except for one year, to be raised from those who have not paid their impositions here, whom Mr. Vincent, our husband, will report to you. Favour none who are irregular in passing their goods here, and we will indemnify you.

We hope the leviations on the Smyrna factor, Lewis, Stamboline, and Rose, now arrived or arriving, will fully clear our bills of exchange and loans, and therefore those that have bills of exchange hence, or have lent money on the Sampson's cloth may defalk therefrom the leviations of 4 dollars per cloth.

We are resolving upon a fit person to send as minister. We beg you to prevent the fraud of factors entering great bales of silk as coals, and to recover what is behind on that account. [*Levant Papers, Vol.* 4, *p.* 222.]

May 5. London. Levant Company to Mr. Riley. You name in yours of 8 Dec. the return to England of your minister, Mr. Hill; we will try to send you a fit and able person. The greatest impediment now to our trade is your trouble with that Basha, and your little hope of reparation for his injuries. The peace with the Netherlands being, after long expectation, concluded, we hope trade will be better. Were we once eased of our debts there and elsewhere, it would much content us; but you must clear them by a consulage. [*Levant Papers, Vol.* 4, *p.* 223.]

May 5. London. Levant Company to John Hobson [consul at Venice]. You know our great trouble for years through an unjust tax of 2 dollars per mille on Zante and Cephalonia currants, caused, we suspect, by the late John Bromhall, who by will left it to be continued till the company's debt, as he calls it, is paid. We can hardly suppose that so injurious an oppression should survive its author, especially as the whole pretence at first demanded has been forced from us twice over; yet we beg you to prevent it by a decree of the senate, or some other way, which will be well accepted by us, who have promoted you to your employment, and shall be always ready to serve you. [*Levant Papers, Vol.* 4, *p.* 224.]

May 8. Order by the Commissioners for Appeals in Excise that—the additional Ordinance for Excise notwithstanding—the Excise Commissioners forbear to repay moneys on export of exciseable goods shipped for Scotland since 25 March last, Scotland being now united to England, and capable of the same privileges and immunities as the ports in England. [*Excise Collection, p.* 134, *Vol.* 98, *June* 1655.]

May 8. **29.** Petition of Wm. Burton and other merchants of Great Yarmouth to the Protector. We freighted 3 months ago, 6 small vessels with herrings and other goods to Bordeaux, to bring back wines to Leith, but they have been detained there by winds 9 weeks, with French wines value 6,000*l.* Meanwhile by Ordinance of 12 April, you prohibit the import to Scotland of goods forbidden in England, among which are French wines, therefore we know not

where to send them, and we are paying 4*l.* a tun freight, double the price of times of peace. We therefore beg a dispensation to vend our 600 tuns for this time. With reference to Council, 5 May 1654. [1 *sheet.*]

May 8. Order thereon that they be allowed to unlade the wines at Leith without seizure. [*I.* 75, *p.* 278.]

May 8. **30.** Petition of Col. Simon Rugeley to the Protector. Upon your order [*see* 13 Feb. *suprà*] granting me 3,546*l.* 5*s.* 9*d.* due on public faith, and 4,454*l.* 15*s.* 11*d.* for personal services, out of my discoveries of concealments not pardoned by the Act of Oblivion, I discovered, and proved by record before the Commissioners of Accounts, marsh lands in cos. Norfolk and Cambridge, drained by the late King at a cost of 6,000*l.*, of which he was to have ⅔ for the embanking, and which are at the seaside, and no part of the Bedford level, and now the Commissioners say they have no power to put me in possession. As I have sold 500*l.* a year to pay my debts, and as a last refuge mortgaged my debentures, I beg an order to put me in possession of the lands. With reference to Council to consider the petitioner's title, and certify, 5 May 1654. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

30. I. *Draft for the proposed grant of the said lands.* [1¼ *pages.*]

30. II. *Information of Col. Simon Rugeley of Callingwood, co. Stafford, to the Commissioners for Accounts, and for discovering frauds or concealments. In* 1638, *the late King undertook, at his own charge, the draining of marshes in Walton, Walsoken, and Walpole, co. Norfolk, and in Wisbeach, Leverington, Newton, and Tyd St. Giles, co. Cambridge,* 4,000 *acres, for which he was to have* ⅔ *of the land. His interest, now belonging to the State, is concealed and detained by the respective tenants and proprietors. I beg powers to prosecute this information, and the allowance for discovery granted by the Act.* 16 *Feb.* 1653–4. [1 *page.*]

30. III. *Request by Rugeley that he may have as much of the said lands conveyed to him as will pay the moneys allowed him by Council, with leave to purchase the remainder, so that the whole may be conveyed to him.* 16 *Feb.* 1653–4 [1 *page.*]

30. IV. *Deposition by John Rugeley of Southwark that he went to the Commissioners of Accounts with Col. Rugeley when the Colonel acquainted them with this discovery that they ordered him to produce records and witnesses which he did at great charge, and then they told him they had no power to grant him the lands.* 28 *March* 1654. [⅔ *page.*]

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May 8. Reference of Rugeley's petition to Strickland, Wolsley, and Cooper, to examine the particulars of the discovery, and his title thereto. [*I.* 75, *p.* 279.]

May 8. **31.** Petition of John Clarke, of Hitcham, to the Protector. Settled an estate of 2,000*l.* a year on his eldest son William, on condition that his wife, daughter of Sir Edw. Kerr, would settle in the same way 400*l.* a year which she has for 3 lives, and 150*l.* a year in reversion after her father. Reserved enough to pay the visible debts, but since the settlement, other incumbrances have appeared, and most of the 2,000*l.* a year is in jointure to his mother, Lady Mannering, and his aunt Lady Verney, so that he can raise nothing out of it. As there is an estate of 400*l.* or 500*l.* a year improveable by enclosure, to which the tenants agree, on security to enjoy their estates for 21 years, begs an order to the judges that his son William, 10 years old, may suffer a recovery of the 150*l.* a year, the damage being compensated by the advantage, so that petitioner may pay his debts, and be free from fear or imprisonment. With reference thereon to Council, 5 May 1654. [1 *sheet.*]

May 8. Reference thereon by Council to Sir Chas. Wolsley, Sir Ant. Ashley Cooper, and Mr. Strickland, to report. [*I.*, 78, *p.* 278.]

May 8. **32.** Petition of John Bland, merchant, to the Protector. When abroad, consigned 600 pipes of wine, indigo, Spanish money, &c., to his partner, And. King, merchant in London, for whose delinquency the goods were sequestered, and sold by the Camdem House Committee at great undervalue; but on pleading that ½ the goods belonged to him, was ordered payment of 2,718*l.* 13*s.* 7*d.* The Committee pretending they had not cash, ordered his payment out of the Earl of Rivers' sequestered estate in London. Received 267*l.* 16*s.* 11*d.*, and then Sir A Haslerigg obtained an order in Parliament to receive the remaining profits, in lieu of a debt of 1,000*l.* due from the Earl to him. On appeal to the Commissioners for Public Debts, they declared that the said debt, which with interest would amount to 4,983*l.* 19*s.* 5*d.*, was due to him, but before they could report to Parliament, it resigned its power.

Has advanced large sums for the State, and been 11 years without his money, and the goods paid above 2,000*l.* customs. Begs payment of the 4,983*l.* 19*s.* 5*d.* from the Customs, whereby his Highness' fame for justice will spread to foreign nations. With reference, 19 April 1654, to Council. [1½ *pages.*]

May 8. Order in Council that the petition be laid aside, they being unable to give any order therein. [*I.* 75, *p.* 279.]

May 8. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Admiralty and Navy Commissioners to appoint a convenient ship to transport Dr. Mayerne's lady and her attendants into the Low Countries.

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3. The Customs' and Excise Commissioners to permit 4 hogsheads of white French wine, and a quantity of ling and stockfish, brought out of Holland for the use of the Dutch ambassadors, to be landed without duty.

6. The Lord President presenting the names of the Commissioners appointed by his Highness for trial of Don Pantaleon de Saa, and the others,—*viz.*, Lord Chief Justice Rolle, Justice Atkins, Serj. Steele, Drs. Zouch, Turner, and Clerk, Sir Hen. Blount, Rich. Lucy, and Ald. Tichborne,—the Attorney-General is to prepare a draft of a commission of Oyer and Terminer, directed to the above, for the trial.

7. Order on report from the Admiralty Commissioners—on a reference concerning the Charity, and on a report from the Admiralty judges,—that the said judges proceed, touching the ship and her lading, according to justice. Approved 1 June.

8. The business touching farthings whereon the States' arms are imprinted referred to the Mint Committee.

10. Strickland, Desborow, and Fiennes to examine what is alleged concerning the plundering of the Swedish ships Hope and Phœnix, both taken by Capt. Nee, a captain of the commonwealth, and to report.

13. The report concerning the government of Jersey agreed with, and Mackworth and Strickland to prepare and bring in an Ordinance accordingly.

16. Order on motion of Mr. Rous, that Thos. Fauconbridge pay the arrear for half a year of a pension of 42*l.* to Eton College, any order of restraint notwithstanding.

17. The petition of Cols. Rob. Lilburne, Okey, and Guibon, and of Ed. Dendy referred to Cooper, Wolsley, and Strickland, to speak with Justice Hales about the post fines, and report his opinion.

19. The petition of Dame Magdalen Tyringham, relict of Sir Anthony Tyringham, laid aside.

23. A warrant to be prepared for commitment of Chas. Rich and John James to the Tower, they not having attended to give security, according to the order of Council.

24. The petition of Robert Inglish and Alexr. Finlaw referred back to its former Committee, to consider how money may be raised for their present relief. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 276–280.]

May 8. **33.** Bond of Major George Rawdon, of Rawdon, co. York, and Phil. Tandy, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Middlesex, in 200*l.*, to pay 100*l.* to Sir John Clotworthy, of St. Martin's, 30 Nov. next. [1 *page.*]

[May 9.] **34.** Petition of Sturley Kedgwin, innholder of Colford, Forest of Dean, to the Protector. In 1641, Sir John Wintour sued many of the inhabitants in the Exchequer about rights of common, and they, lest they should be overborne by his potency, petitioned Parliament to question the validity of his patent for the timber, wood, and waste soil of the forest. Parliament ordered a committee

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of survey to divers county gentlemen, to be assisted by shipwrights of London and Bristol, carpenters, surveyors, &c., the charges to be paid by the country, but repaid if proved advantageous to the commonwealth. The charge came to 96*l.*, of part of which I am unpaid, and am in great poverty by plunderings of the cavaliers of my goods and cattle, I having been in arms for Parliament. I beg relief, as the State will be much benefited by the making of great shot and ordnance, or payment by the country. With reference to the Admiralty Committee, 5 May 1654. [1 *page.*]

May 9. **35.** Order thereon by the Admiralty Commissioners, that—as the sum was so laid out to preserve the forest from spoil by Sir John Winter,—53*l.* in the hands of Major Wade, for materials sold on demolishing the works in Gloucester, should go in part payment, and the rest be paid out of fines and profits from the forest. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

35. I. *Directions for a commission for measuring and surveying the said forest.* 29 *May* 1641. [⅔ *page.*]

May 9. **36.** Petition of Sir Rob. Pye, jun., to the Protector. My father had a patent for life from the late King of the auditorship of the Exchequer, in lieu of which the late Parliament granted him 500*l.* a year for life. This was made over to me during his life, and 2,000*l.* thereof are in arrears, to my great damage. I beg an order for 1,000*l.* at once, and the rest, with the future benefit, from land in Ireland. With reference thereon to Council, 1 May 1654. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

36. I. *Parliament order that the Revenue Committee consider of an allowance to be made to Sir R. Pye, auditor, and to the 2 tellers of the Exchequer, for their places.* 3 *June* 1645. [⅔ *page.*]

36. II. *Order in the Revenue Committee to Fauconberg, to make up previous orders on behalf of Sir Rob. Pye to* 500*l. a year in lieu of his office, and to pay it as it grows due.* 14 *Nov.* 1645. [1 *page. Copy.*]

36. III. *Certificate by Fauconberg that the said* 500*l. was paid till March* 1650, *but only* 29*l. has been paid since.* 21 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

May 9. Reference thereon by Council to the Treasury Commissioners, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 281.]

May 9. **37.** Petition of John Field, printer to the late Parliament, to the Protector. Has delivered Acts, declarations, votes, and orders to the sum of 1,665*l.* 15*s.* 9*d.*, of which 1,274*l.* 3*s.* 5*d.* was acknowledged due 31 March 1652 by a Committee of Parliament, and 391*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.* has grown due since. The late Parliament referred it to the Council of State to order speedy payment, but in vain, as

he has not received one penny during the 5 years he has printed for Parliament, and has been under restraint for paper bought for their service, and owes 1,000*l.* on interest. Begs immediate payment of the 1,274*l.* 3*s.* 5*d.*, and an order to state the remainder. With reference thereon to Council, 19 April 1654. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

37. I. *Order in a Committee of Parliament for payment to Field of* 1,274*l.* 3*s.* 5*d. on the moneys on the Ordinance of* 24 *Nov.* 1645, *for payment of artificers, &c., after payment of present charges thereon.* 31 *March* 1652. [1 *page.*]

37. II. *Order in Parliament that* 2,000 *copies of the Act for settlement of Ireland be printed, and that the Council of State see Field paid for these, and paid the rest of the money due to him.* 13 *Aug.* 1652. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page. Commons' Jour., Vol. VII., p.* 164.]

37. III. *Accounts of Field for printing since* 1 *April* 1652, *giving the titles of the Acts and papers printed. Total sum due* 391*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.* [7$\frac{1}{2}$ *pages.*]

May 9. **38.** Reference thereon by Council to the Treasury Commissioners, to report. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 282.]

[May 9.] **39.** Petition of Sir John Scott, of Scottistarvet, to the Protector. I am lineally descended from those who have constantly and dutifully served as clerks of the rolls, lords of sessions, clerks of Council and Exchequer, and directors of Chancery, from 1502 to your coming to Scotland. I have myself been 30 years a counsellor, 20 a judge, and 40 a director of the Chancery office without reproach, and Lord St. John promised me a hearing before my places were disposed of. I have not contravened any of your proclamations, yet I am dispossessed, not only of those places of council, session, and Exchequer, which I held by the Prince's letters, and which could be taken away at the will of the superior power, but of my Chancery office, which being by grant under the Great Seal, can only be taken away by treason or forfeiture, and the arrears of my fees are detained. I beg restoration to my places as judge in the Session and director of Chancery, and a warrant to recover my past arrears. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

[May 9.] **40.** Petition of Sir John Scott to the Protector. I came here a month since to procure your favour for the printing in Holland, by John Blaw, of maps of Scotland and Ireland. I also showed my wrongs in being deprived of my offices in Scotland, and I think those who formerly did me ill offices have now got my name inserted in the Act of Grace for payment of 1,500*l.* fine, though I have been a constant opposer of malignancy, and in 1648 was president of the committee of gentry who protested against that unlawful engagement, in the very face of Parliament. I beg discharge from the fine, and reference to Council about my places. With reference accordingly, 29 April 1654. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

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40. I. *Statement in detail of the offices held by his ancestors and hinself. His grandchild, James Scott, holds the baronies of Tarnebut and Caple, and most of his lands and moneys are divided among his children, he relying on the profits of his office; he has not been member of Parliament or Committee since* 1644. *His houses at Inshkeith and Shank were demolished by the soldiers. His losses of fees and offices nearly equal the fine put upon him, and the detention of the arrears is contrary to law.* [1 *page.*]

40. II. *Certificate by Patrick Gillespie and John Livingstone, that he protested against the invading of England in* 1648, *never abetted any malignant design, and behaved peaceably in a private station.* 28 *April* 1654. [1½ *page.*]

May 9. **41.** Reference thereon by Council to Lambert, Desborow, Montague, Jones, Cooper, and Strickland, to report. [¾ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 282.]

[May 9.]. **42.** Petition of Woffalia, Elianor, Frances, and Eliz. Fitzgerald, children of the Earl of Kildare, to the Protector, for a sum to enable them to transport themselves, and be no further troublesome. His Highness obtained 50*l.* for them from the late Council of State, but having no other supplies to carry them to Ireland, by reason of the ruin of their father's estate, beg more. [1 *page.*]

May 9. **43.** Order thereon in Council for payment of 20*l.* to them by Mr. Frost from Council's contingencies, and of 30*l.* by Ald. Chas. Walley, at Chester. [*Also I.* 75, *p.* 282.]

[May 9.] **44.** Report of Ald. Andrews and Allen, on the case of Luke Ivory &c., that 27,400*l.* of Weavers' Hall money was paid to the late Treasurers-at-war, but issued by them for the army, to be reimbursed from the arrears due for the army, and Parliament appointed the same for discharge of public faith debts, in London and other counties, to be issued by the Treasurers at war, who have had no warrant for the last 600*l.*, and the Army Committee said that Hants and Sussex had had no proportion of the money, and therefore the 600*l.* was to remain till further order [2 *pages.*]

May 9. **45.** Order on this report that the Army Committee give a warrant to the late Treasurers-at-war, for payment of the 600*l.* to Rich. Glide and Col. Lawrence Broomfield, appointed treasurers for public faith moneys, for satisfaction of the sums lent by the poor in the said counties. [1 *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 284.]

[May 9.] **46.** Report on the petition of Edw. Edmonds, for several poor inhabitants of London within the lines of communication, that Parliament charged 10,000*l.* on Goldsmiths' Hall for poor persons; that in Nov. 1647, 900*l.* at Weavers' Hall, part of 30,000*l.* designed

for payment of sums under 10*l.* lent on the propositions of 1642, was to be paid to Mr. Pocock and Greenhill, and repaid out of the said 10,000*l.* to Weavers' Hall. That 9,100*l.* was paid by the Goldsmiths' Hall treasurers to the treasurers for maimed soldiers, but the balance 900*l.* does not appear to have been repaid. Also report on the petition of Luke Ivory and others, in behalf of cos. Surrey, Middlesex, Cambridge, and Northampton, that Parliament ordered 10,000*l.* to the poor of divers counties that had lent on the propositions of 1642, whereof 9,400*l.* was paid by the Weavers' Hall treasurers, and 600*l.* should have been paid by the Treasurers-at-war, but the Army Committee suspended their warrant, that the respective counties might have their due proportion.

That therefore the Army Committee should issue a warrant to the late Treasurers-at-war to pay the 600*l.*; the Goldsmiths' Hall treasurer be ordered to pay in the 900*l.* to Weavers' Hall; and then both sums be paid out towards satisfaction of small debts. [*Draft*, 3 *pages.*]

[May 9.] **47.** Copy of the last clause, 4 April 1654. [⅔ *page.*]

May 9. Order, in the case of Edw. Edmonds, that the Haberdashers' Hall Commissioners give warrant to the Goldsmiths' Hall treasurers to pay in the 900*l.* to Weavers' Hall, to be paid out as above said. [*G.* 12, *p.* 612; *G.* 83, *p.* 469; *I.* 75, *p.* 284.]

May ? **48.** Petition of Luke Ivory, Jas. Style, and John Allen, to his Highness' Council. Thanks for an order for 600*l.*, balance of 10,000*l.*, ordered by Parliament to be paid to the poor of the counties that had lent on the proposition for 1642; but such is the strictness of the treasurers, that the order will be ineffectual unless affixed to the 4 counties petitioned for, viz., Middlesex, Surrey, Cambridge, and Northampton, which, as was proved before the Committee of Public Frauds and Debts last Parliament, had not their proportion with other counties. [¾ *page.*]

[May 9.] **49.** Statement by Col. Sexby. In 1651 a secret Committee of Council sent me to France, to give an account of the state of the country and affections of the people. I was to have 1,000*l.* a year for myself and 4 gentlemen who went with me, and I was there almost 2 years.

One of my gentlemen whom I sent into Languedoc, amongst the Protestants, was taken as a suspected person, stripped, robbed of 130*l.* sewn up in his clothes, which I had given him, put in prison, where I supported him, and racked, and though he kept secret what he knew, the torture cost him his life, and his wife and infant would starve but for me. I had to send her 40*l.* the other day.

When in France, I wrote to Mr. Scott and Council twice a week, and sometimes sent my letters by 3 routes, and Mr. Scott was to pay the postage, but as it was not well to send to him at Whitehall, I addressed the letters to a friend, to whom I have had to pay 53*l.* 5*s* postage. Since my return, I have spent 12*l.* in postage for public service. I also lost 2 trunks of apparel worth 200*l.*

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I received my first year's salary of 1,000*l.*, but there is still due to to me 1,411*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* salary and charges. It may seem large, but no one could live in the foreign parts where we were at less than 200*l.* a year, and our expenses were some hundreds above the allowance. [2 *pages.*] *Annexing,*

49. I. *Order in the Council of State that a necklace of pearl, which Col. Sexby has, be brought to the Committee for examinations, and his charges in searching and seizing packets considered.* 18 *Nov.* 1652. [*Copy,* ⅔ *page.*]

49. II. *Statement by him of his expenses in journeys in England in* 1649, 116*l.* 8*s.*, *for which he hoped a necklace and jewel would have been allowed him, but he has delivered them up as ordered.* [1 *page.*]

49. III. *Warrant by the Protector to Jessop and Frost to audit his accounts for disbursements in France and England, that he may be paid.* 28 *April* 1654. [¾ *page.*]

49. IV. *Their report confirming Sexby's statements, but leaving it doubtful whether* 430*l.* *of his claim for expenses in France should not be considered as included in his salary.* [3 *pages.*]

49. V. *Draft of the above.* [3 *pages.*]

May 9. Reference of the account by Council to Strickland, Sydenham, and Jones, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 285.]

May 9. **50.** Petition of the inhabitants of Stratton Michael and Tasborough, co. Norfolk, to the Commissioners for approbation of Ministers. Having been long destitute of a preaching minister, by virtue of sequestration, in May 1653, we invited Rich. Lawrence, who is well approved, as our minister, but we could not settle his maintenance, the old Parliament being dissolved, and there being no other power in being therefor. We beg his continuance, with power to receive for this and last year the profits of both parsonages, the parishes being small and only a mile apart. [1 *sheet,* 16 *signatures.*]

May 9. Order thereon in Council granting the petition. [*I.* 75, *p.* 286.]

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4. The petition of the children of the late Dr. Wm. Twisse referred to Wolsley, Jones, Skippon, Fiennes, and Rous, to report.

5. The Admiralty judges to issue a commission for trial of pirates in Dorsetshire, as formerly ordered.

7. The petition of the mayor and aldermen of Lincoln, referred by his Highness to Council, referred to Desborow, Wolsley, Jones, and Mackworth, to prepare an Ordinance thereupon.

8. Order on the petition of Dame Jane George, similarly referred, that Council leave her to make her application elsewhere.

9. Like order on the petition of Robert Canne and Co., merchants of Bristol, concerning a debt owing for provisions for the Isle of Scilly.

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11. The petition of the ancient gunners of the Tower that held their places by patent referred to the Committee for Regulation of the Officers of the Tower, to report.

14. The report from the Committee on the petition of Ald. John Fowke agreed with, and land to be set out in Waltham Forest, Essex, belonging to the State, of 500*l.* yearly value, and settled on him and his heirs for ever. Council leaves him to seek satisfaction of Parliament for his sufferings mentioned, and for the matter in difference between him and the East India Company.

15. The petition of Dame Magdalen, relict of Sir Arthur Tyringham, on reconsideration, referred to Lambert, Jones, Rous, Mackworth, Montague, and Sydenham, to report.

16. Thos. Falconberg to pay to Mr. Dell, master of Gonvill and Caius College, Cambridge, his half-year's augmentation due last Lady day, any order of restraint notwithstanding.

18. The business of Sir John Stowell and his purchasers to be debated next Thursday.

21. The petition of Wm. Blaxton, referred by his Highness to Council, referred to Lambert, Fiennes, and Jones, to report.

22. That of Edw. Hanchet, usher to the late Court of Wards, referred to Montague, Mackworth, and Jones, to report.

23. That of Jane, widow of Hen. Parker, and Henry and Anne, their children, referred to Lambert, Fiennes, and Jones, to report.

27. John Browne, John Whiteway, and Walter Foy, justices of peace for Dorset, to take bail for such as were taken upon the design of surprising the town of Poole, and are now in gaol at Dorchester, to appear when called for and release them. Approved 1 June. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 281–286.]

May 9. Whitehall. Declaration by the Protector, setting apart Tuesday, 23 May, for a day of thanksgiving for the peace with the Netherlands, and for the late seasonable rains.

All will own that this has been a nation of blessings, where so many wonders have been wrought. The Lord has added another link to the chain by granting us peace. Also by sending rain, when the earth was so unusually parched that it threatened famine; but he stirred up our hearts to seek for rain, and then vouchsafed it, showing that he has not cast us off, but the heavens declare his glory, and the earth answers in fruitfulness. We hope the godly ministers who preach on this occasion will exhort the people to turn from their vain practices. Quotation of Psalm 107, v. 30–38. [1 *page, printed, Record Office Library,* 498 *F. Coll. of Acts, vol.* 2, *No.* 86.]

May 9. **51.** Humph. White to the Admiralty Committee. Capt. Thos. Elliott, of Aldborough, Suffolk, commander of the frigate building at Wivenhoe, drank to the health of the King and confusion of the Parliament, and ordered 3 guns to be fired; also he harboured Capt. Furnes, an enemy to the commonwealth, for 3 months, and at last sent him aboard a Straits' man-of-war. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

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May 10. **52.** Petition of John Hall to the Protector, for continuance of a pension of 100*l.* a year, having no other subsistence, and for the 25*l.* now due. I have been a constant servant of the several Councils, being brought in by your Highness, and always discharged my duty, especially in attending on you in Scotland, and since your assumption of the government, by my book, "Confusion confounded." With order thereon for payment of the arrear, continuance of the pension, to be paid quarterly from Council's contingencies, and a warrant to be prepared accordingly. [1 *page.*]

May 10. **53.** Petition of John Embree, surveyor, to the Protector and Council. Has had his books ready for audit 13 months, and there is due to him 1,500*l.*, which he needs to comply with his contracts for materials delivered towards repairing Whitehall and other houses belonging to his Highness, and to pay his poor workmen. Begs an effectual order therein. [1 *page.*]

May 10. Reference thereon to the Treasury Commissioners, to report how 1,000*l.* may be best charged, to enable him to proceed about the repairs of Whitehall. [*I.* 75, *p.* 287.]

May 10. **54.** Petition of William earl Marshal of Scotland to the Protector. Riding in the year 1651 peaceably from my own house to Eliott, I was taken prisoner and sent up hither to the Tower, having never been in arms against this State. I addressed you, and hoped I had obtained your protection against further prosecutions, but I find that in the late Act [of Pardon for Scotland] I am among the excluded persons, and my estate to be disposed of, to the utter ruin of me and my posterity. I beg examination, and as my innocence appears, restoration to my estate. With order thereon by the Protector that he be heard by Council, 5 May 1654. [1 *page.*]

May 10. Note in Council that the petition was read, but laid aside, Council not thinking fit to make any order thereon. [*I.* 75, *p.* 287.]

May 10. **55.** Petition of George Lord Eure and Col. Fras. Lascelles to the Protector. Have faithfully served Parliament during the wars, raised a regiment of foot, and each a troop of horse under Lord Fairfax, without charge, and served till the enemy in the North was subdued; since in 1648 and 1651, raised both horse and foot in defence of the nation against invasion from abroad and insurrection at home, in which they have exhausted themselves and friends, and received no satisfaction nor pressed for it, on account of the exigencies of affairs. Beg the arrears due for their personal pay, being to Eure 1,042*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.*, and to Lascelles 2,066*l.* 6*s.* 9*d.* Also that the sums may be charged on old arrears of sequestrations in Yorkshire, due in 1649, which they can discover to be in the treasurer's hands of that county, or allowed some other way. With reference of the petition and of a certificate from Mr. Rymer to Council, April 5, 1654. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

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55. I. *Certificate by the County Committee that a balance of* 358*l.* 17*s.* 4*d. is due to Major George Eure, for service in the late militia, from* 13 *June* 1648 *to* 15 *Jan.* 1648–9. *York,* 3 *Sept.* 1649. [*Parchment,* 1 *page.*]

55. II. *Like certificate of* 683*l.* 10*s.* 6*d. due to him from* 20 *Feb.* 1643–4 *to* 23 *Jan.* 1645–6. 7 *Nov.* 1649. [1 *sheet.*]

55. III. *Note of calculations thereon.* [$\frac{1}{4}$ *page.*]

55. IV., V. *Certificate by Ferdinando Lord Fairfax that Lascelles was captain of a troop of horse in the Northern army from* 12 *June* 1644 *to* 14 *Nov.* 1645, *behaved faithfully, and received no pay.* 3 *Sept.* 1647. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.* 2 *copies.*]

55. VI. *Certificate by Rich. Darley, sheriff, and the County Committee to like effect, and to his service in reducing Hemsley, Scarborough, Bolton, and Skipton Castles.* 2 *Oct.* 1647. [1 *page. Copy.*]

55. VII. *Depositions before the sub-Committee of Accounts of co. York that most of his company served during that time, and that he craves allowance as Colonel. Rullington,* 23 *Oct.* 1647. [1 *page. Copy.*]

55. VIII. *Report by the sub-Committee of Accounts of co. York to the Committee of Accounts for the kingdom, detailing the particulars of Lascelles's services, and for how many of them he asks no allowance, and stating his claim at* 1,993*l.* 15*s. Rullington,* 23 *Oct.* 1647. [2 *sheets. Copy.*]

55. IX. *Certificate by Fras. Pierrepoint, Thos. Mauleverer, and John Wastell, that Lascelles was governor of Helmsley and Bolton Castles after their reducement.* 17 *May* 1648. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

55. X. *Certificate by the Committee of Accounts that the balance due to him is* 743*l.* 10*s.* 9*d., but that he claims* 1,724*l.* 1*s.* 9*d. more for service as captain of horse, and also as governor of the said castles, which they cannot allow because he had no commission as governor.* 18 *Oct.* 1648. [1 *sheet.*]

55. XI. *Certificate by the County Committee that* 405*l.* 4*s. is due to him for service from* 1 *June* 1648 *to* 15 *Jan.* 1648–9, 9 *May* 1649. *With receipt for* 63*l. in part,* 9 *Aug.* 1649. [*Parchment,* $\frac{1}{2}$ *sheet.*]

55. XII. *Certificate by Ralph Rymer, that on the dissolving of the former Committees in* 1649, *he had* 1,650*l. in hand of old arrears, for which he has asked orders and discharge, but not received them.* 11 *Feb.* 1653–4. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

May 10. Reference of the petition of Eure and Lascelles to the Treasury Committee, to consider and report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 287.]

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May 10. **56.** Petition of Thos. Rosse, prisoner in the Tower, to the Protector and Council, for speedy trial or release. Never acted prejudicially, nor harboured a mutinous thought, but receiving a note, now in the hands of Council, from Mr. Dutton, was urged to meet him and some others, all strangers to himself, at the Ship tavern, in the Old Bailey, and so was taken by Lieut. Col. Worsley. With reference thereon to Council, to grant him release on bail, if they see fit, 3 May 1654. [1 *page.*]

May 10. Note that the case was read and laid aside, without order thereon. [*I.* 75. *p.* 288.]

May 10. **57.** Petition of Jas. Riddell, merchant of Leith, to the Protector. Considering the need of pitch, tar, hemp, and deals for the fleet, and of oil for making soap, I should have attempted their import, but for obedience to the Act of Navigation; I therefore obtained from the late Council of State a license for the former goods, and from the commander-in-chief in Scotland one for the import of oil thither. I accordingly imported in a Scotch ship deals, tar, &c. from Norway, and the export of tar thence being prohibited, I covered it with oil; but the oil was seized at Leith by the Commissioners, and it and the vessel declared forfeit, in spite of the license, to the loss of 300*l.*, though the oil is only worth 8*l.* I beg that my license may stand good. With reference, signed, of the petition and the letter of Col. Lilburne annexed to Council, 13 April 1654. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

57. I. *Col. Rob. Lilburne to the Protector. I granted Riddell a pass for his oil, because the Act against its import into England was made before any authority from Parliament was established here. There was no fraud or intention to abuse the State. I commend his case to you, as he is conscientious, and has been peaceable and civil since our first coming into Leith. Dalkeith,* 4 *March* 1653–4. [1 *page.*]

May 10. **58.** Reference thereon to the Admiralty Committee. [¾ *page. Also, I.* 75, *p.* 290.]

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2. The petition of several officers of the army referred to Mackworth, Lisle, and Sydenham, to report.

4. An Ordinance to enable John Arundel of Lanherne, co. Cornwall, to sell certain manors and lands for payment of debts, laid aside.

8. An Ordinance on report of the Committee for adjudication of several ships of the enemy seized or brought into Scotland, as amended, read, agreed to, and to be presented to the Protector. Approved 16 May.

9. Also the Ordinance for relief of debtors in Scotland in some cases of extremity. Approved 16 May.

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10. Also an Ordinance of explanation of a former Ordinance for better keeping in repair the highways. Approved 16 May.

11. The Ordinance for satisfaction of the arrears to the soldiers out of the forests to be read the second time to-morrow.

13, 14. To advise his Highness that the prisoners seized by Lieut.-Col. Worsley, now in the Tower, be speedily brought to trial, and Lambert and Sydenham to attend him with the reasons therefor.

15. The establishment of the Tower, as to the Lieutenant and those immediately under him, with an estimate of the incident charges, in pursuance of an order of Jan. 30 last, approved.

16, 17. **59.** A proposition from the Admiralty Commissioners that 12 ships named may be ordered to come into port, and be first discharged and laid up, agreed to. Approved 16 May.

18. A warrant to be prepared to pay what is due to Mr. Hartlib of the allowance granted him out of the Customs' contingencies.

23, 24. In pursuance of an order of last Monday, 2 warrants were signed, 1 to the Serjeant-at-Arms for apprehending Charles Rich and John James and delivering them to the Lieutenant of the Tower; the other to the said Lieutenant to receive them; but the execution of the warrants suspended till Jessop give notice to Rich, in the country, of Council's pleasure, and require him to repair to London.

25. Order that—as by Parliamentary order of 15 Sept. 1653 the late Council of State was empowered to bring to effect certain discoveries—Commissary-Gen. Whalley, Col Wm. Goffe, Col. Grosvenor, and Scoutmaster-Gen. Downing be appointed Commissioners to examine the said discoveries, with power to send for persons or writings, examine witnesses on oath, and use all means for taking possession of the discoveries. Also that as ¼ was to be allowed to Col. Allan Butler, the discoverer, which was granted him 21 Oct. last, and as by order of 5 Dec., Capt. Hen. Grosvenor was appointed to receive the same at request of Katherine, widow of Col. Allan Butler, deceased, Grosvenor is hereby required to prosecute the discoveries, bearing his proportion of the charges and receiving ¼ of the benefit. The said Commissioners are to appoint treasurers to receive any money, plate, or jewels, and to warrant the payment of the said ¼. They are also to appoint and salary their own officers, and render accounts of their proceedings to his Highness and Council. Approved 1 June.

26. The Treasuries' Committee to consider the whole matter of discoveries, consulting the Committee of Accounts and Public Debts and such others as they judge fit, and to report. Wolsley added to the Committee. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 287–292.]

May 11. **60.** Petition of Austen Belson to the Protector and Council, for a pass for himself and Hen. Smith, his servant, to go to the

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Spaw in Germany, being advised to drink the waters for his health, and to return. [½ *page.*]

May 11. Order thereon granting the petition. [*I.* 75, *p.* 293.]

May 11. **61.** Petition of Mary Blaithwaite, widow, of Seckmurther, Cumberland, to the Protector. She and her husband, for affection to Parliament, have suffered so grievously by the cruelty of Sir Wilfrid Lawson, Henry and Jas. Pearson, attorneys, and their confederates, that her husband lost his memory and died. They were dragged through markets, imprisoned, put in irons, stripped, &c., on pretence of being spies, plundered of their goods, sued at law, and 6 times bound over to good behaviour, as shown by articles now extant, exhibited to the late House of Peers. As by the declaration of Parliament of 18 August 1642, the well-affected of the North were to have reparation of losses from the delinquents by whom they suffered, begs reference to eminent persons in London, who may summon Lawson to send up his answer in writing, and the rest to appear in person, as they attend each term on their own employments. [1 *page.*]

May 11. **62.** Petition of Geo. Bromley and 39 others, for hundreds in and near London who have lent money on the public faith, and are unable to double what they have lent, to the Protector. We have long waited upon the late Parliament, to whom the Council of State referred us. [*See* 17 June 1653.] According to the late Act, we have put in claims for our debts, which are with the Commissioners at Worcester House, and have borne in silence the long want of our money, but the time prescribed in the Act is expired, we are unpaid, and many of us wanting bread. We beg that the Commissioners may be ordered to examine and report to you on the debts now claimed before they proceed to the rest of the claims. We have long found you our only instrument, and trust to you to accomplish this for us. 40 signatures. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

62. I. *Order of the Council of State alluded to,* 17 *June* 1653. [¼ *page.*]

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1, 2. To write to the several sheriffs and other public officers to publish within their jurisdiction a declaration of the Protector, setting apart Tuesday, May 23, for a public thanksgiving for the peace between this commonwealth and the United Provinces, and for the late seasonable rain. With form of the letter to the sheriffs.

3. The Ordinance for satisfying officers' arrears by sale of forests read the second time, and re-committed to the Committee which brought it.

5. The petition of the persons subscribing, viz., Lords Montague and Brudenell, and Ed. Vaux, on behalf of themselves and others s equestered for recusancy, referred to Wolsley, Jones, Montague, and Cooper, to report.

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7. Order that the Excise Commissioners and their sub-commissioners receive for duties since 25 March 6*d.* on every cwt. of 112 lbs. of English iron, to be paid by the maker, the rate in the Ordinance of 17 March 1653–4 notwithstanding. Approved 16 May.

8. A report from the Committee on the petition of Algernon Earl of Northumberland, Thomas Lord Coventry, Philip Earl of Pembroke, heir, and Wm. Earl of Salisbury, and other executors of Philip, late Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, read. It thereby appears that the Earl of Northumberland, Lord Coventry, and the late Earls of Pembroke and Manchester, and others, in 1640, entered into 2 bonds to Francis Flyer, and others in trust for the city of London, for repayment of 50,000*l.* then borrowed of the city, which Parliament afterwards declared to be a public debt, and made provision for repayment out of the Act for 400,000*l.*, but only 17,226*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.* was repaid, and process is sued against the above for the remainder. Also that the then Lord Mayor and certain aldermen, appointed treasurers for the 400,000*l.*, had opportunity and received a warrant to pay the rest, but spent it in paying out several great sums on warrants of subsequent date to that whereby the 50,000*l.* was appointed to be satisfied, omitting to pay the said residue. Order—as the debt was for a special service of the State, and not for their particular use—that all prosecution against those bound in the bond be forborne, and their persons indemnified, till further order of Parliament. Approved 1 June.

9. A paper mentioning great destruction of wood in Enfield Chase referred to the Committee on Forests, to examine whom they like, and report. *Annexing,*

63. I. *Report by W. Daure to Wm. Jessop, that there is destruction of wood to the value of* 2,000*l. in Enfield Chase; they fell the best trees and sell the wood at very low rates, and he wishes to prevent such breach of trust.* 22 *March* 1653–4. [½ *page.*]

12. Lambert, Sydenham, and Strickland to examine Moreton, Hastings, and Seymour, taken into custody by the Serjeant-at-arms on Thurloe's warrant, and now attending at the door.

13. To advise an Ordinance reported for holding the County Court of Cheshire at Northwich, whilst the plague is at Chester, twice read and agreed to. Approved 16 May.

14. The 700 snapsacks to be provided for the 7 companies of Sir Wm. Constable's regiment, now bound for Scotland, to be paid for out of the Council's contingencies, and a warrant prepared on satisfaction touching the price. Approved 1 June.

15. The business of Sir John Stowell and his purchases to be considered next Tuesday.

16. Thos. Fauconberg to pay to Edw. Bulstrode all his arrears due as chief justice of North Wales, and to Dr. John Littleton, executor of William Littleton, chief justice of North Wales, all the arrears due at his death. Approved 1 June.

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17. From next Monday Council to begin to sit for a week at 10 a.m., to despatch reports and petitions.

18. The Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal to issue a commission of Oyer and Terminer for trial of Don Pantaleon de Saa, and the rest of the Portuguese and English concerned in the affair at the New Exchange, to Lord Chief Justice Rolle, Justice Atkin, Serjeant Steele Recorder of London, Dr. Zouch, Dr. Turner, Dr. Clerk, Sir Henry Bunt, Rich. Lucy, and Ald. Tichborne.

20. The judges for probate of wills and granting administrations to take the account arising on fees of that Court, as ascertained by the tables allowed by the Protector, and to take care that the said profit, as well as other profits from overplus of estates whose administration shall be granted to any creditor (just debts being first satisfied), and of persons dying without kindred, may be accounted for to the Protector. They are to examine accounts and witnesses on oath touching the premises, to cause such moneys as are due to be paid to the treasurer appointed to receive them, and to allow incident charges. Also to commit such persons to prison as shall wilfully disobey the process or orders of the said court.

21. Order that as great wastes have been lately committed in Waltham Forest, Essex, Carew Mildmay be supervisor of Chapel Hainault and West Hainault walks therein, take care to preserve the timber and other profits of the State, and the just rights and customs of the inhabitants, and punish offenders who cut down or buy the wood, certifying the names of the chief of them to Council. This order to be published in the churches of the several parishes, and all inhabitants and others concerned to take notice. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 293–7.]

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64. Col. Chris. Whichcote and Thos. Reading to the Protector. As you committed to us the preservation of Windsor Forest, we sent proposals to Council for carrying on the service, and desiring instructions for preventing abuses. Meanwhile our spies will be watchful. Several adjacent parishes claim trees for their bridges and highways, which we deny without your order. The warden and bridge-masters of Maidenhead demand 3 trees, and 4 which they said became due during the war, when they durst not repair their bridges, which were several times broken down to prevent the enemy passing. Noted as sent to Council 16 May. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

64. I. *Extract from the charter of incorporation of Maidenhead, 4 Aug. 2 James, granting them 3 oaks from Cookham or Bray, every third year, with leave to cut them down and carry them away themselves, in default of their being supplied on demand.* [1 *sheet, copy certified by Thos. Hughes, warden.*]

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65. Drs. John Godolphin and Wm. Clerk to Wm. Jessop. We have a Council order of 9 May for trial of pirates in co. Dorset. On a former order we reported that such commissions have always issued under the Great Seal, by Oyer and Terminer. Did the Council

consider this when they issued their last order? We prepared a commission on their former order, but it is in custody of Col. Chas. Geo. Cock, who is in the country. We have sent for it, and will prepare another of the same tenor.

P.S. Thanks for the Council order for our salaries. We will speedily and more really notice your readiness to oblige us. [1 *page.*]

May 11. **66.** Statement by the Prize Commissioners of the names and duties of their various officers, 26 in number, since 8 March 1653–4, with their salaries, varying from 180*l.* a year to 2*s.* a day. [1 *sheet.*]

[May 12.] **67.** Petition of Lancelot Emott, provost marshal for Middlesex and Westminster, and his 6 men, to the Protector. By order of Parliament of 4 Nov. 1652, were continued in office to attend the Speaker, prevent abuses on the Lord's day, and all riots and duels, and repress scandalous pamphlets, for which the marshal had 100*l.* a year, and the men 1*s.* a day each. They executed office till the dissolution of the last Parliament, when they petitioned the late Council of State for their arrears of 176*s.* 1*s.* 6*d.*, to 20 April last, and got an order, but 116*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.* is still unpaid. There is grown due to them since 164*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.*, making the total 280*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.* Beg an order on Goldsmiths' or Haberdashers' Hall for its payment, renewal of their commission of office, and quarterly payment in future. With reference thereon to Council, 29 March 1654. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

67. I. *Order in Parliament appointing Zach. Bishop provost marshal at* 100*l.* *a year, with* 12 *men at* 1*s.* *a day, increased to* 20 *by the Revenue Committee, the* 12 *not sufficing.* 6 *June* 1649. [1¼ *pages.*]

67. II. *Order in Parliament, continuing the marshal and* 6 *men, and the Speaker to appoint a deputy to act in the marshal's absence.* 16 *May* 1651. [1 *page.*]

67. III. *Order in Parliament, appointing Emott marshal, with* 6 *men, to be paid by the Revenue Committee.* 4 *Nov.* 1652. [¼ *page.*]

May 12. Reference thereon in Council to Rous, Mackworth, and Cooper, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 298.]

[May 12.] **68.** Petition of John Tombes, master, and the brethren and sisters of Katherine's Hospital, Ledbury, co. Hereford, to the Protector. In 1232, Hugh Foliot, Bishop of Hereford, granted to the Dean and Chapter the free disposing of the hospital, allowing them 40*s.* a year, the rest of the revenue to be for the brethren, whom the Dean and Chapter were to defend therein.

On a question in 1580 about the validity of a grant of Queen Elizabeth, an executive decree was made and confirmed by Act of Parliament, settling all the lands, &c. of the hospital on the Dean and Chapter in trust for the hospital. In 1649 the Dean and Chapter were abolished, with exception of gifts to almshouses and other charitable uses, but the provision for the hospital was not

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so full or convenient as before, and it is detrimental for the trustees to be residents in London. Beg incorporation and the vesting of the lands in themselves, the 40*s.* due to the Dean and Chapter being paid to his Highness; the deed to be kept in a chest in the chapel, and the master and 2 senior brethren to have keys; the Protector and his successors to have the visitation and jurisdiction of the hospital. With reference thereon signed, 26 April 1654, to the Trustees for Dean and Chapter Lands. Also second reference 10 May 1654 to Council. [1¼ *sheets, copy.*]

May 12. Reference thereon in Council to Rous, Mackworth, Sydenham, and Jones, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 298.] *Annexing,*

68. I. *Report by the Dean and Chapter Trustees, on a reference of the said Committee of* 16 *May. By an Exchequer decree of* 22 *Eliz., the hospital was to consist of as many as could be maintained, allowing beside charges for repairs,* 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* *to the master, and* 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* *to each brother and sister, yearly. The master to have the mansion house and lands, paying therefor* 12*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.* *a year, and each brother and sister a dwelling in Katherine Row. The revenues were then* 90*l.* *a year, and would provide for* 10 *poor,* 7 *to be men and* 3 *women, widowers and widows, chiefly of Ledbury.*

By the Act for abolishing Dean and Chapter lands, the possessions of the hospital were vested in us, and on 9 *Aug.* 1649, *we authorised Mr. Tombes, in the vacancy of the master, to take oversight of the hospital, and provide for the poor; but for* 4 *years we could get no accounts from him, and then the accounts were not true. He has taken the master's place without authority, and acted without our knowledge or leave. We then appointed men of quality to visit the place, and survey the possessions for increase of revenue to the poor.*

Then Tombes, fearing discharge or lessening of his profits, applied to you. We offer our objections against Incorporation.

1. *If the hospital is incorporated, most of the revenue, about* 400*l.* *a year, will be swallowed up by the master, the brethren and sisters being only* 10, *and limited to* 20 *nobles each.*
2. *The incorporation will consist only of the master, as the brethren, being dependent on him, will not dare to oppose him.*
3. *It is repugnant to the Act of Parliament declaring the intention of the founder, as giving the lands to the master and brethren, who are not fit to be trusted, has impaired the value of the property, and almost ruined the hospital.*

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4. *The jurisdiction of a small hospital is a thing beneath your care, and would be omitted, and the master be left without control.*
5. *The* 40s. *a year is part of the Dean and Chapter lands now exposed to sale, for security of moneys now doubling.*

We beg suspension of any incorporation till a return of our survey of the value of the lands, when we will inform you further about Mr. Tombes' proceedings. 10 *signatures.* 24 *May* 1654. [2 *pages.*]

68. II. *Answer of John Tombes to the above report:—*

I had a patent under the Great Seal, 12 *April* 1649, *of the mastership on Dr. Kerry's death,* 8 *days before the Act for Dean and Chapter lands was published, and I conceived the Trustees' Commission paramount to mastership. Details of proceedings and explanation of accounts. I have broken no trust, and the trustees have done nothing for the hospital. I am weary of waiting on them, and beg incorporation, that the hospital, whose estates are in small things, may not lose the benefit of improvements by travel to London to renew estates.*

As to the objections to incorporation,—

1. *The hospital will not be worth* 400*l. a year till the leases fall in, and with the expenses of the charter of incorporation, I should gain little benefit, whatever my successors may do.*
2. *This objection would apply to all masters and scholars in universities, but the choice of an honest master would prevent it.*
3. *The lands must be in some hands, and the Dean and Chapter allowed timber to be cut down, and some land lost, and the trustees have done nothing to recover them, or improve the hospital.*
4. *His Highness could regulate the hospital by the Commissioners for charitable uses or otherwise.*
5. *The* 40s. *a year, being given for the oversight of the hospital, should not be given away to those who have no oversight; but better for the hospital to pay* 2*l. a year than wait on the trustees for everything. I therefore renew my request for incorporation.* 7 *June* 1654. [1 *sheet.*]

68. III. *Reply of the trustees to the said answer, adding that on survey, the present rents of the hospital are,* 147*l.* 3s. 1*d.*, *and the improved rents,* 283*l.* 1s. 4*d.; total,* 430*l.* 9s. 5*d.*, *and bringing fresh accusations against Tombes of breach of trust.* 20 *June* 1654. [1½ *pages.*]

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May 12. **69.** Petition of Geo. Jameson of Coupar, Scotland, to the Protector. At desire of the Parliament and estates of Scotland, I furnished the armies in England and Scotland with provisions value 2,652*l.*, which was to be paid out of the last 100,000*l.* due to them from England. This proving ineffectual from the Duke of Hamilton's unlawful invasion, the Parliament of Scotland, in Feb. 1649–50, ordered my accounts to be stated, and they came to 3,000*l.* Several references were made on my case to the Committee for Irish and Scottish Affairs, but it was dissolved before the report.

My 18 months' attendance here has cost me 200*l.*, 3 great families of 15 children, and my creditors lie heavy on me. I beg the 3,000*l.* from the fines of delinquents to be sequestered in Scotland, and some present money to free myself here, and return to my country. With reference thereon to Council, 3 May 1654. [1 *page.*]

May 12. Reference thereon by Council to Maj.-Gen. Lambert, Col. Jones, Mr. Strickland, and Mr. Rous, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 300.]

May 12. **70.** Petition of Roger Charnock, preacher to the Protector, for continuance to him of an augmentation of 50*l.* a year, granted in 1646 by the Committee for Plundered Ministers to the vicarage of Monmouth, worth only 23*l.* a year, from the rectory, sequestered from Sir Chas. Somerset for recusancy. Rob. Braborne, then vicar, is ejected by the Commissioners for propagating the Gospel, and petitioner placed in his room. [½ *page.*]

May 12. Order thereon in Council for continuance of the annuity by the Trustees for maintenance of Ministers. Approved 1 June. [*I.* 78, *p.* 300.]

[May 12.] **71.** Petition of Jas. Boswell to the Protector. On 25 June 1647, the House of Commons referred my petition to the Excise Commissioners,—to state my accounts as to a debt due to me from the State, for goods furnished to the garrisons in Ireland, and a debt owing by me for customs on wines at Newcastle, for which I was under restraint,—and ordered them to discharge me meantime, and to consider where my debt may be paid. On 2 Sept. 1647, the Commissioners stated the account, and ordered the customs' officers at Newcastle to state my debt, but nothing has been done therein. I beg recommendation thereon to the present Committee of Excise. 27 Feb. 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*]

[May 12.] **72.** Report thereon of the Commissioners for appeals and regulating the Excise, that Boswell owed 1,299*l.* 3*s.* 7*d.* for excise of wines delivered 1644 to 1646 to the Scottish army, and for the late King whilst resident in Newcastle, which being deducted from 4,294*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.*, owing to him by the State, leaves 2,995*l.* 12*s.* 7*d.*, increased by interest to 4,419*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.* Of this 419*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.* might be charged on the Drury House Treasury, and 1,000*l.* on the Prize Goods' Treasury, but they know not where to charge the 3,000*l.* 20 April 1654. [1⅔ *pages.*]

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May 12. Order thereon for warrants for payment of the 419*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.*, and the 1,000*l.* as suggested, and care to be taken for payment of the residue, as ordered by his Highness in his reference of 1 May. Approved 1 June. [*I.* 75, *p.* 302.]

May 12. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Col. Fiennes added to the Committee on Mr. Moreton and the other duellers.

2. The petition of John Denham referred to Jones, Strickland, Mackworth, and Sydenham, to report. Meanwhile the Trustees for forfeited lands at Drury House are not to sell his estate of 50*l.* a year in co. Carmarthen, for which he compounded on the Act of grace for South Wales.

3. Order on report of the Treasury Commissioners that John Embree's 1,000*l.* may best be charged on the excise in Broad Street, that the 1,000*l.* and 500*l.* more be so charged by warrant. *Annexing,*

73. I. *Report on which the order is founded.* [½ *page.*]

5. The petition of Rob. Little, for himself and 100 other workmen, referred to Strickland, Sydenham, and Jones, to report.

6, 10. An Ordinance to be prepared to suspend the proceedings of the judges named in the Act for relief of creditors and poor prisoners till 1 June next, and being prepared, read, and agreed to. Approved 16 May.

7. Sydenham, Montague, and Mackworth to prepare an Ordinance for a method in issuing public warrants for money, in which consideration is to be had of the warrants already out, and of the instrument of government.

8. Lambert, Fiennes, Mackworth, Jones, Montague, Wolsley, and Cooper to read the said instrument, and to offer advice according to this day's debate. Mr. Thurloe to assist.

9. The Ordinance touching the receipt of the Exchequer, reported as amended by the Committee, read, further amended, and to be presented to his Highness.

11. After to-day the reading of petitions in Council to be forborne till June 1.

15. The petition of Geo. Adams referred to Montague, Pickering, Lisle, Cooper, and Wolsley, to report.

17. That of Nehemiah Benton, minister of Wiston, co. Sussex, and John Moore, sequestrator of the parish church there, referred to Montague, Wolsley, Jones, and Sydenham, to report.

18. That of John Bushrod, of Dorchester, referred to Montague, Sydenham, Wolsley, and Cooper, to report.

19. Order on report from the Committee on Policarpus Rock and John Orme's petition, setting forth their loss by fire at Drayton, co. Salop, being 900*l.*, that the Commissioners of the Great Seal pass a grant for a collection in cos. Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, Kent, Sussex, Herts, Wilts, and Bedford, and in the city of York, towards reparation of the said loss. Approved 1 June. *Annexing,*

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74. I. *Report alluded to advising the collection, because the petitioners had no benefit by the former collection for the town, both being in Scotland, and the collectors converting most of it to their own use.* [1 *page.*]

20. The petition of Ed. Dendy, serjeant-at-arms, referred to Sydenham, Mackworth, Strickland, and Montague, to report.

21. Wolsley added to the said Committee.

22. The 200*l.* ordered to James Challoner, for disbursements about Hampton Court, to be paid out of the Treasury for probate of wills, and a warrant signed accordingly. Approved 1 June.

23. Order on Strickland's report concerning Moreton, Hastings, and Seymour, charged with being engaged in a duel, that they be discharged.

25. Lambert, Cooper, Mackworth and Jones to offer a way for carrying on causes depending in the late Duchy Court, by Commissioners to be appointed in that behalf. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 298–302.]

May 12. **75.** Report of the Admiralty Committee, on reference from the Protector of 9 Feb. 1653–4, on the petition of Capt. Thos. Amy, commander of a ship in the French service, for pardon for acting against the Commonwealth, and for liberty to return to England, that they think his request might be granted, and he indemnified for his delinquency. [½ *page.*]

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Navy Office. **76.** Navy Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. There are no ships in the river fit to carry provisions to the fleet, and men-of-war can only take their own. The present mode of victualling the navy is very disserviceable. 1st. There is a great charge in transporting it to the fleet. 2. Great waste by leakage. 3. By turning up and down, the flesh perishes, the pickle leaking. 4. Great confusion of accounts, by which the State will be the loser, and stewards go away without controul. The fleet ought therefore to be ordered into Harwich or the Hope, where the victuallers might deliver the provisions on board. [1 *page.*]

May 12. **77.** Notes of evidence in a [Court martial] in a case of assault committed by Capt. Johnson at the 3 Feathers, Golstone, upon Mr. Cimball, who wished to engage his horse to carry a packet from the Council of State to the Generals of the Fleet. Order that Johnson pay 3*l.* 5*s.* to Capt. Cornelius, 20*s.* to Cimball, and a fine of 30*l.* for contempt and hindrance of the service. Also that Capt. Johnson had no right to compound for the Hare ketch, which was seized by Prince Rupert's fleet in Yarmouth Road, and 3 months in his service, and then left them, came in to Dartmouth 4 years since, and was seized by Capt. Moulton, and set out by him, and that she ought to remain in the service. [1¼ *pages.*]

May 13.
The Fairfax,
Aberdeen. **78.** Vice-Admiral Jno. Lawson to the Admiralty Committee. I sailed with my squadron from the Frith for Shotland and Fair Isle. I held a council of war, when it was agreed to go for Brace Sound

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to look for the freebooters who took the Raven, but they were gone. Having taken in water and ballast, we sailed on the 10th and steered towards a fleet which we saw. It was De Witt, Rear-Admiral of Amsterdam, with three men-of-war, convoying 70 sail bound for Greenland. We consulted what to do, having heard at Leith that peace had been concluded, and resolved to demand nothing if he struck his flag, which he did; he gave us a salute, which we returned, and he submitted to a search, though he said it was not customary for men-of-war, and then they stood northward and we southward.

Near the Orkneys, I received a letter from Gen. Monk, with the proclamations of peace, and for restitution of all seizures after the 4th inst., as also an order to bring in my squadron to Hosely Bay, which I will do with all speed. I send the examinations of some officers of the Raven concerning her loss. [2 *pages.*] *Annexing,*

78. I. *Examination of John Hemings, carpenter of the Raven, giving the details of her capture by a fleet of* 6 *Dutch freebooters off Berwick. Fairfax,* 8 *May* 1654. [2 *pages.*]

78. II. *Like examination of John* Southwood, *brother of Capt. Hen. Southwood, late commander of the Raven. Fairfax,* 9 *May* 1654. [1⅓ *page.*]

78. III. *Like examination of* 4 *others of the ship's officers, including Hen. Southwood, commander, taken before John Fowler, judge advocate. Sovereign,* 15 *and* 16 *May* 1654. [2⅔ *pages.*]

May 13. The Fairfax, Aberdeen. **79.** Vice-Admiral Lawson to Robt. Blackborne. To like effect. De Witt begins to know his duty, being very submissive, acknowledging the sovereignty of England in the seas, and yielding as much as could have been required of any merchant ships. [⅔ *page.*]

May 13. Hosely Bay. **80.** Thos. Davies, clerk of the check of the Gainsborough, to the Admiralty Committee. I wish to prove my gratitude for my employment by informing you that we have here one Bradley, a minister, who has been in several places in London, a noted inveigher against the present authority, but is entertained as a special favourite by our commander, Capt. Rob. Taylor. He is as constant inventing bitter speeches against the Lord Protector and his Council as if he had been sent by Jno. Simpson and his party to gain proselytes. Had not the supineness of his auditors prevented, his designs could not have been so long frustrated. He said in prayer, in hearing of the captain and officers, "Lord, what has become of the praying officers in the army? The world has now stopped their mouths; the world has choked them; they pretended they were pulling down Babylon, but behold they are setting it up; and instead of setting up the kingdom of Jesus Christ they are setting up Courts. But, Lord, lay their honours in the dust; they pretended

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these 12 years to fight for liberty, but behold it proves a bondage, Thy servants are now persecuted and imprisoned. Father, is not this a time of persecution, when thy saints are kept under, that they dare not declare thy truths? If they do it is accounted treason, &c."

My dislike of all this has procured me frowns from my captain. [2 *pages.*]

May 15. Plymouth. **81.** Capt. Hen. Hatsell to the Admiralty Committee. I sent the Marten galley to Fowey for a prize lying there, and will give her captain your orders when she returns. Capt. Smith, with the Hector, has come in from the Cape near St. Malo, and brought the enclosed letter. He also reports that there are several vessels at Jersey and Guernsey bound for St. Malo, which dare not now go over, and 3 at St. Malo laden with linen cloth bound for St. Lucar. I have ordered Capt. Heaton to wait for them. [1 *page.*] *Enclosing,*

81. I. *Wm. Sanders to Capt. Smith. On seeing your vessels I sent a boat to tell you the trouble we are in, but weather prevented its reaching you. Upon hearing of the taking of some Newfoundlanders by the English, the town has arrested all the English barks, and the goods on board, and in our cellars, chambers, and studies. As there is no security for the barks under your convoy, we desire you to see them safely back to England or the Islands. Tell Mr. Baker that Mr. Richards is at Paris. and that Mr. Pontpom is as much troubled as any Englishman in the town. Guildo,* 11 *May* 1654. [*Copy,* $\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

May 16. **82.** Petition of the well-affected inhabitants of Hindringham, co. Norfolk, to the Protector. Chris. Amiraut was settled as their minister on 11 Jan. 1652–3, by the Committee for Plundered Ministers. The living being very insufficient, only 25*l.* a year, beg that the rent of 22*l.* paid by Martin Hastings for the impropriation may be added thereto. 14 signatures. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

82. I. *Certificate by Robert Jermy and Martin Hastings that the living is only worth* 25*l. a year.* 13 *April* 1654. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

May 16. Order thereon granting the petition, and the trustees for maintenance of ministers are to issue their warrant for payment. Approved 1 June. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 305–306.]

May 16. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Approval by the Protector of 7 orders, 10–12 May, &c.

2. An Ordinance for preservation of the works of the great level of the Fens reported as amended by the Committee, a proviso added, and agreed to.

3. An Ordinance reported for explanation of the Act for relief of poor creditors and prisoners read, and to be read again to-morrow.

4, 5. The Ordinances for monthly assessment and that touching the minister of York and St. Peter's school to be read to-morrow.

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6. Order on information that, contrary to the order of 31 March last, the St. John Baptist of Dieppe is sold at a low rate, and probably part of her lading, that the Prize Commissioners forbear any further proceedings in the sale thereof.

7. The order of 11 January last, forbidding the sale of parks, castles, &c., of the late King, discharged as concerns Hyde Park, and the trustees to proceed to sell it. [*I.* 75, *p.* 304–305.]

May 16. Ordinance that a clause in that of 31 March relative to highways, limiting the number of horses and oxen to be used in carts to 5, shall not extend to the carriage of ordnance, timber, or artillery for the army and navy, provided that those who attend the carts have a pass from the Protector, President of the Council, Admiralty Commissioners, Generals of the Fleet, Navy Commissioners, or governors of garrisons. [3 *pages, printed. Coll. of Acts, Vol.* 2, *No.* 87, *Record Office Library,* 498 *F.*]

May 16. **83.** Attorney-General Edm. Prideaux to Wm. Jessop. On receipt of your letter and the enclosed Ordinance, I sent for the counsel of the Dean and Chapter trustees and the Surveyor-General, but cannot ascertain how it can be made effectual to the use intended, and not prejudice the sales already made. The reparation of the church [York Minster] is not a charitable use within the exception of the Act, but that for the school is. I hear most, if not all, the fabric rents are sold, but care taken to preserve the revenues intended for the schools; but they will give me a more particular account.

Meantime I advise that if by an Ordinance you settle all the revenues formerly employed, you resume those that have been sold and will be of ill consequence, but any unsold may be easily settled. If you do not wait till this is known, then after "aforesaid" add the words: "not yet sold for valuable consideration," and after revenues add, "of what nature or quality the same were or are, and in what manner soever settled or disposed," and after mayor add "and commonalty," that being the name of the corporation,—and I suppose you do not intend to create a new one,—and leave out all that I have underlined. I have also added other words, which impart to Lord Lambert and the Committee. Endorsed "Mr. Attorney-General's report concerning the Ordinance for York Minster." [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

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Dieppe. **84.** M. de Montigny, governor of Dieppe, to the Council of State. Hearing that a Committee is appointed on the case of the St. John, Pierre Filie [or Phillis], factor, I beg to remind you of my care to serve English subjects, suffering no piracy against them where I have any power, and to entreat you to restore the poor captain his vessel and merchandise. I am interested therein, and so are others of this town, friends of mine.

I would also commend to you the St. Louis of Dieppe, Rob. Michel, captain, who has well served the English, especially at Barbadoes. Though some of the interested parties are at Rouen, they are well affected to the republic. [*French,* 2 *pages, with seals and silk.*]

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May 17. **85.** Petition of the gentlemen and freeholders of the West Riding of co. York to the Protector. The county contains 3 ridings, governed by distinct commissioners, and when charges were laid on the whole county, by ancient usage, the West Riding bore 12 parts, the North 10, and the East 8. This proportion was also observed in the rates of assessment for the late war.

In 1649, either by neglect or design of gentlemen serving for the North and East Ridings, the power of raising assessments was given to a joint committee, and then the Commissioners of the other 2 ridings combined to make the West pay more, and have caused great confusion, and have lately levied 5,000*l.* by soldiers, and billetted them on some of the West Riding for supposed arrears. This has hindered the raising of the assessments, the rather that divers West Riding Commissioners of known integrity have been left out, and so the others more easily carry on their design. Request district commissioners as before, and continuance of the proportions of 12, 10, and 8, or the assessments will be greatly obstructed. Petitioners will then raise their proportion in their own riding by an equal pound rate. With reference thereon to Council, 17 May 1654. [1 *sheet.*]

May 17. **86.** Order by the Protector, on the petition of John Leneall, minister, that Fauconberg pay him his arrears for serving the cure of Castlechurch, near Stafford, and continue payment in future. [*Scrap.*] *Annexing,*

86. I. *Receipt thereon by Leneall of* 24*l.*, *arrears of his pension of* 8*l. a year, by an Ordinance passed* 21 *Aug.* 1654. 2 *Sept.* 1654. [1 *page.*]

May 17. **87.** Petition of Maurice Thompson and 10 other owners of the Peregrine, to the Protector, for an order to the Navy Treasurer for payment of what shall be found due for the loss of their ship in an engagement with the Dutch in the Straits, when the captain and 22 men were slain and 40 wounded, as was proved to the late Council of State, who referred the case to the Navy Commissioners, and they have reported on it. 11 signatures. With reference thereon to Council. [1 *sheet.*]

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1. Fauconbridge to pay to Dr. John Bond the arrears due to him as Master of Trinity Hall, Cambridge, for the augmentation granted to that mastership. Approved 1 June.

2. The Ordinance explaining the Act for Relief of Creditors and Poor Prisoners read the second time, and committed to Strickland, Jones, Wolsley, and Cooper.

3. Order on report from the Committee on the petition of Capt. Dan. Hinchman, agent for Col. Hewson's regiment,—representing that 1,421*l.* 6*s.* 4½*d.*, due to those concerned should be satisfied by lands in Ireland, and that the Receiver-General should pay the petitioner, for himself and the other purchasers of the lordship of the High

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Peak, in behalf of the said regiment, 43*l.* 1*s.* 4¾*d.*, which they paid out of the rents into the public revenue;—that the Committee speak with the gentlemen lately come from Ireland about the part of the report concerning satisfaction of the said debt out of lands in Ireland, and report; and that a warrant be issued to the Receiver-General to pay the 43*l.* 1*s.* 4¾*d.*

4. An Ordinance for the monthly assessment read and committed to Lambert, Jones, Mackworth, Wolsley, Cooper, and Montague, to consider what was debated in Council to-day. Also several petitions of inhabitants of co. Pembroke, and of the gentlemen and freeholders of co. York, West Riding, and Wolsley is to have care thereof. The Committee to name some of themselves to consult the Protector about the sum to be monthly laid.

5. Order—on report from the Committee that they have treated with John Phelps for repurchase of the manor and royalty of Hampton Court, and have agreed for 750*l.*;—that the Attorney-General direct the preparing of such assurances as may settle the same to his Highness's use, on passing whereof a warrant is to be issued for payment of the 750*l.* to Phelps. Approved 1 June.

6. Sydenham, Jones, and Strickland to treat with the purchasers of Nonsuch House and park, to settle them on the Protector in exchange for other State lands.

7. The Ordinance reported by Lambert touching York Minster and Peter's School read, and agreed to.

8. The report on John Clerk's petition agreed with, and the justices of the Court of Common Pleas to permit Wm. Clerk, infant, son of John Clerk, by his guardian, to suffer a recovery of lands amounting to 150*l.* a year, being half of land of 300*l.* a year, descendible to his mother after her father's death, so that it may be sold to clear incumbrances on the petitioner's estate. Approved 1 June. *Annexing.*

88. I. *Report of the Committee alluded to, that on speaking with the petitioner's wife and her uncle and sole trustee, the referees are satisfied that the petition may be granted without prejudice to the infant.* [*Draft.* 1 *page.*]

9. The report on several petitions of Dan. Hutchinson, alderman of Dublin, and of Michael Castell, merchant, agreed with.

10. An Ordinance for satisfaction of several sums to them read, and agreed to.

11. Order that,—whereas on 29 March last, 8,000*l.* part of 50,000*l.* for pay of the forces in Scotland, was ordered to be paid from such treasury as the Commissioners for inspecting the Treasuries thought fit, and repaid from the Gurney House treasury, as also 10,000*l.* more from that treasury; whereon the said Commissioners ordered 8,000*l.* from the Excise, to be paid to the Treasurers at War, and to be repaid from the first moneys arising on Dean and Chapter lands, &c.,—the next 10,000*l.* be paid in like manner to the Treasurers

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at War, to be issued by the Army Committee. Not consented to by the Protector, 1 June. *Annexing,*

89. 1. *Certificate by the Treasury Commissioners that there is now cash in Gurney House to repay the said* 8,000*l.*, *but that an order is wanted to the treasurers for payment.* 17 *May* 1654. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

12. The report about the money due to Rob. Inglis and Alex. Finlaw on a contract with Frost agreed with, and 1,000*l.*, in part of 4,490*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*, to be charged on the moneys from sale of Dean and Chapters' lands, and a warrant issued to the treasurer accordingly. Approved 1 June.

13. The report in the case of Rich. Bringest to be considered to-morrow.

14. A warrant being granted May 8 to let 4 gentlemen of the Dutch Ambassador pass into France and transport 4 horses, a new warrant was signed, they having gone over, to let the bearer transport the 4 horses custom free.

15. The complaints in a petition from Lynne referred to the Committee on the petition of the Adventurers for the Fens. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 306–310.]

May 18. **90.** Petition of Col. Chris. Mayo to the Protector. In 1653, I agreed in behalf of the King of Spain, and of Luke Lucie and Fras. Owen, merchants of London, to convey 300 Irish soldiers from Dublin to Dunkirk, at 14 pieces of 8 a man, to be paid in Flanders, which not being paid by the Court of Brussels, I am arrested, and in the Upper Bench, for the debt, at the suit of Booly, a Dutchman, and Co., who have the $\frac{1}{5}$ of Col. Chas. Dillon's estate and Fras. Owen's bond for payment, as soon as the King of Spain pays. Having received nothing from the King of Spain, I cannot pay, and my bread is allowed me by Lucie and Owen.

If I am in restraint, I cannot personally solicit in Spain, 40,000*l.* will be unpaid to officers and merchants for 6,000 or 7,000 soldiers transported at their charges, and unless I can sail next week, I shall recover no money this year, but be wholly ruined.

As I acted in the interest of Ireland by transporting many thousand men, and as an agent for a foreign prince, I beg protection and a pass for Spain, and in order thereto, an examination of my case by officers of the army. Endorsed with note that it was delivered by his Highness to Col. Jones for Council. [1 *page.*]

May 18. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Lambert reports papers presented to his Highness by the Committee of Adventurers for Ireland, and the agents for the army there, which are read and committed to Lambert, Wolsley, Mackworth, Fiennes, Sydenham, and Jones, to confer with those who presented the papers, receive what they have to offer, and report.

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2, 3. He also reports from the Committee the form of a warrant to send out writs for elections to Parliament, which was read, and approved. Also the forms of a writ for elections.

4. Order that the instrument for the Government of England, Scotland, and Ireland be by authority sent to every sheriff, mayor, bailiff, or other to whom writs of election are to be sent, with private letters requiring them to read the instrument when and where the proclamation of the writs shall be made. Approved 1 June.

7. Order on report of the Committee on Lady Kath. Ranelagh's petition, that in full of all demands to be made by Viscount Ranelagh, there be paid him 1,100*l.*; 100*l.* out of Council's contingencies, and the Committee to decide on what treasury the 1,000*l.* shall be charged. Approved 20 May.

9. Order on report in the case of Capt. John Hume [*see* 6 April *suprà*], that the case be referred back to the judges in Scotland to review, if a review can be admitted by the rules of Scotland, and if not to mediate the case between him and the Earl of Hume, his Highness recommending the case to the judges by letter. If neither of these ways take effect, the petitioner should appeal to Parliament. Approved 1 June. *Annexing,*

91. 1. *Report on which the said order is founded.* [*Draft,* 1¼ *pages.*]

10. Wolsley and Jones added to the Committee on Jos. Rigby's contempt.

13. Order that—as the late Council of State passed an Ordinance for the Trustees of Dean and chapters' lands to settle lands, value 200*l.* a year, on Nich. Lockier, and as he desires to have the value in money, which at 10 years' purchase is 2,000*l.*,—the Gurney House Treasurers pay Frost the said sum for Council's contingencies, and he pay it to Lockier. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 310–314.]

May 19. **92.** Petition of Chas. Rich to Council. I am sorry that for any action of mine I have fallen under your displeasure, and beg you to forget what has passed between Mr. James and me, to reverse the warrant for my commitment, and to spare my putting in security, or at least to limit it as to persons and time. This results not from any design to hazard your disfavour in future, but that I may engage my friends on terms allowed by the rules of friendship. Noted "not read." [1 *page.*]

May 19. Order that Chas. Rich and John James give security in 1,000*l.* each, with two sufficient sureties, to keep the peace towards each other in all times to come, and neither of them to break it; and on so doing, that their warrant for commitment to the Tower be suspended. [*I.* 75, *p.* 356.]

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1. To pay Ambassador Whitelock 1,200*l.* on account for his allowance, and the Treasury Committee to decide on what treasury it can be charged.

2. **93.** A paper offered by Strickland, concerning some actings of Capt. Williams of Dover on the ship Dog, referred to the Admiralty Commissioners, to report. *Annexing,*

93. I. *Depositions of Capt. Wm. Cornelisen and others belonging to the Schiedam of Holland, taken before the Sheriffs of Maesluys, charging Capt. Williams of the Dog of Dover with having boarded them and carried away various articles named.* [2½ *pages.*]

3. Order on report on the petition of Lady Mary Levingston, and 3 others [*see* 28 April *suprà*], that 4*l.* a week be allowed them from Council's contingencies, till 1st Jan. *Annexing,*

94. I. *Report alluded to, advising the following reductions :—*

	£	s.	d.
Lady Levingston for annuity of 60*l.*, *weekly*	0	12	6
Mrs. Bridget Bray for annuity of 200*l.*, *weekly* - - - - -	2	2	0
Mrs. Judith Hobson for annuity of 100*l.*, *weekly* - - - - -	1	1	0
Mrs. Frances Blunden for annuity of 20*l.*, *weekly* - - - - -	0	4	6
	£4	0	0

To be paid from such treasury as Council shall assign. [1 *page.*]

94. II. *Note that Lady M. Levingston is willing to accept* 20*s. a week, Mrs. Bray* 50*s.*, *Mrs. Hobson* 24*s.*, *and Mrs. Blunden* 6*s. in lieu of their respective annuities.* 16 *May* 1654. [1 *page.*]

4. Order on report in the case of Sir Alex. Gibson of Dury, Scotland,—showing that the bonds which he gave to some of the advancers of money for repayment were recognised by the Estates as public debts, and yet some of the creditors expect them from him,—that the Commissioners for administration of justice in Scotland grant him indemnity against all suits therefor, to 1 Jan. next. Approved 1 June. *Annexing,*

95. I. *Report on the case alluded to, but which advises an entire, not a limited indemnity.* [1 *page.*]

95. II. *Draft of the above.* [¾ *page.*]

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7. Order confirming the Protector's order of May 5, for Frost to pay Capt. Roger Alsop, Marshal General of the Army, the 341*l.* 6*s.* disbursed by him for maintenance of Scotch prisoners from Jan. 21 to June 29, 1653, according to a warrant of the late Council of State of Sept. 1 last.

9. The Ordinance ordered concerning duels to be brought in next Wednesday.

10. **96, 97.** Order on report from the Treason trustees on Council orders of 27 Dec. and 18 April, that the trustees issue a warrant to their treasurers to pay 16,472*l.* 13*s.* to the surveyors, clerks, and messengers, for the arrears of their respective salaries. Approved 1 June. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 314–7.] *Annexing,*

97. I. *Report alluded to, stating the salaries of the surveyors at* 15*s. a day, the clerks at* 6*s., and the messengers at* 5*s.; total,* 52,888*l.* 13*s.* 11*d.*; *of which they have received* 36,416*l.* 1*s., leaving the balance* 16,472*l.* 13*s.; 7s. a day being deducted for Sundays, travelling days, and days on which they are in London drawing up the surveys, but if the* 15*s. is allowed for these days, the sum will be* 21,630*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* 21 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

May 20. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Approval by the Protector of 3 orders for payment. [*I.* 75, *p.* 318.]

May 21.
Whitehall.

Council to the Governor of the Port of Dover. You are to suffer no person to pass your port or its precincts for 14 days for any part beyond seas; to prevent this, you are to have strict watch kept, and to apprehend all whom you have just cause to suspect to be enemies to the State, and give an account of them. You are also to stay all persons coming from beyond seas within that time, keep them in safe custody, and send their names and what else you find material to his Highness and Council. With note that the same letter *mutatis mutandis* was sent to all the other ports in England, 30 in number, named. [*I.* 75, *p.* 319.]

May 21.
The Fairfax, Aldborough Bay.

98. Vice-Admiral Lawson to the Admiralty Committee. I received yours of 29 April on the 16th off Scarborough; I gave you notice of the Centurion being sent to Inverness and Caithness, and to give her spare provisions for Sinclair Castle, before which the enemy lies. I will ply up to Hoseley Bay to-morrow. [⅔ *page.*] *Enclosing,*

98. I. *Account of the condition of his* 11 *vessels with regard to men and victuals, and to how long they have been at sea.* [1½ *pages.*]

May 23.
Whitehall.

Proclamation that, as the enemies of peace, notwithstanding the many signal providences of God in frustrating their designs, are still restless in attempts to involve the Commonwealth in blood and con-

fusion, and as many of them from beyond seas and elsewhere have lately repaired to London, his Highness orders, for their better discovery, that the constables of the parishes in London, Westminster, Southwark, and within the lines of communication, forthwith repair to the houses in their parishes, and require from the householders a list of all who lodged there on the 19th and since, with their qualities and conditions, and how long they have lodged there, which the said householders are to deliver on peril of being considered partakers in the said designs. The said lists to be delivered at their uttermost peril by the constables to the Lord Mayor of London and bailiffs of Westminster and Southwark, who are to return them immediately to the Council at Whitehall.

None of the said lodgers are to change their lodgings or depart out of the said lines for 10 days, without special license from the said lord mayor or bailiffs, which they are to give only to such as they are satisfied have no ill intention. Any transgression to be considered contempt of his Highness' command, and punished accordingly.

The lord mayor and bailiffs to cause this proclamation to be sent to the said constables, and to demand from them an account of their proceedings thereon. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 320–1.]

May 23. **99.** Order in a special court [of common council?] under Lord Mayor Viner—Council wanting 40 names to insert in the Ordinance for regulating Hackney coachmen, and it appearing on debate with the coachmen that scarce so many can find time to attend, and that 13, with quorum of 7 would suffice,—that Pullen, the city remembrancer, present this to Council, and give in 13 persons named, skilful and prudent men, as the first governors. [1 *page.*]

May 23. Constant Warwick, Plymouth. **100.** Lieut. Thos. Morris, to Col. Jno. Clerk, one of the Admiralty Commissioners. Since my examination before you at Whitehall about the taking of Capt. Rich. Beach, the famous pirate, Col. Hunkin, Governor of Scilly, has testified to my behaviour in taking the Royal James of Brest, when with my sword I compelled our men and the prisoners to run the guns forward, when the ship was leaking, and so saved her.

I beg you to think of some command for me. I have faithfully served the State 11 years; when Col. Rainborow was admiral, he appointed me corporal of the Swallow, and upon the revolt of the Fleet in the Downs, I was imprisoned, but escaped, and was the first who gave an account of it to the Derby House Committee. I was afterwards lieutenant of a train band in Southwark, and upon the army's approach to London, the city declaring against them, I blocked up London Bridge with carts, and maintained a guard there 4 days and nights, until relieved by Col. Rainborow, who came to the borough with 3 regiments. I served under Captains Howet and Penrose upon the Irish coast, and was wounded in the Portland engagements with the Dutch, and have since been lieutenant in the Constant Warwick. [1 *page.*]

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2. The Admiralty Committee to direct a convoy to secure the Globe, laden with provisions and ammunition for the forces in Ireland, on her voyage to Dublin.

3. To advise the Protector that the proclamation for returning the names of the lodgers within the lines of communication be published, and put in execution.

4. An Ordinance to authorise the Commissioners for the Danish business to administer an oath offered to and approved by the Protector, and to pass into a law. [*I.* 75, *p.* 321.]

May 24. The Sovereign, Downs.

101. Gen. Wm. Penn to the Navy Commissioners. Mr. Hempson has sent an account of the victuals wanted for the Fleet. Notwithstanding all your care taken, the State will be greatly damnified through the dishonesty of stewards; 2 or 3 have lately deserted through the victuallers' instruments delivering part of their proportion of victuals in kind, and the rest in money, with which they have run away. I cannot prevent this unless the victuallers be ordered to stop this, and stewards made to give security to account for their victuals. More bread and beer having arrived than are needed, let no more be sent. [1½ *pages.*]

May 25.

102. Power of attorney from Augustine Metcalf to his son Augustine, coachmaker, both of Norwich, to receive all the goods, lands, &c., due to him in Yorkshire, and bond in 100*l.* not to acquit any person therefrom without his son's leave. [¾ *page.*]

May 26. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. An Ordinance for preservation of the works of the great level of the Fens, with omission of a clause in the 3rd folio made by the Protector, approved, passed, and ordered to be printed and published.

2. The Ordinance authorising the Commissioners for the Danish business to administer an oath to be printed and published.

3. The Lord President reports the Protector's approval of the writ for election of members to Parliament.

4. The Ordinance for explanation of the Act concerning creditors and prisoners, as amended at the table, approved, and to be presented to his Highness.

7. Order on a report presented by Col. Jones,—concerning a rate to persons who cannot enjoy the donatives made them by the late Parliament of Scotland, on account of the Ordinance for settling Scotland;—that the first part be agreed to, and all persons allowed for their donatives out of the fines imposed by the late Ordinance of grace, after the rate of 10 years' purchase, to be paid out of the first moneys that come in from the said fines; but Council do not agree to the second part of the report. Approved 1 June. *Annexing,*

103. 1. *Report alluded to, the second part being that as of the* 1,000*l. a year bestowed on Lord Lambert in* 1650, *he has only received* 642*l.* 12*s.* 2*d., though* 4 *years are elapsed, he*

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should have 2,000*l.* *past profits of the donative, and all arrears due to him therefrom should be taken to the use of the State.* [1¼ *pages.*]

8. Order on report from the Treasury Committee,—that the 1,200*l.* to be paid on account to Lord Whitelock's agent may best be charged on the receipt of customs,—that a warrant be issued for payment. Approved 1 June.

10. Order on report on the petition of Col. Rugeley [*see* 8 May *suprà*] that the Attorney and Solicitor-General and Serjeant Glyn consider the case of the concealed lands, and the witnesses produced by the petitioner, and report. *Annexing,*

104. I. *Report alluded to,* 16 *May* 1653. [1 *page.*]

10*a.* **105.** The Admiralty Committee to direct the Ordnance officers to deliver out of their stores, and send for Scotland the tents and 2 double gins provided for the forces there.

11. Also to deliver the guns, powder, horse harness, and other things for the garrison at Inverness, and to send them by the present convoy.

12. To add to an order of April 3 last, concerning the transferring of the cornet's pay of his Highness' lifeguards to Rolt and Thompson these words "the same to commence from Feb. 20 last, being "the day of the last muster."

13. The paper signed by Capt. Step. White, praying order for pay of 30 recruits for Chester and North Wales for the time past, and direction whether to disband them, referred to Commissary General Whalley, Col. Goffe, Maj. Heynes, and Lieut.-Col. White, to report.

14. Also an order of the late Council of 19 August last, for allowing a surgeon and gunsmith, with their mates, to the Protector's foot regiment, the renewing whereof, and an order for their payment is prayed.

17. The petition of the governors and company of merchants trading to Russia referred to Lambert, Wolsley, Cooper, Jones, and Montague, to report.

21, 25. The Army Committee to issue warrants to the Treasurers at War for 3 months' pay on account to John Alured, for a regiment of foot in Ireland, and for a troop of 100 horse, beside officers, according to the establishment of pay for Scotland, appointed for special service under Col. Alured, to be issued from the moneys consigned for Ireland and Scotland. Also from the said moneys, and from the pay of 3 foot companies for Scotland, Alured is to pay Chas. Walley of Chester 1,000*l.* for buying 3 months' provision of victuals for the said forces, and defraying all charges.

22. Thomas Arundel, son of Henry Lord Arundel of Wardour, being lately come from Flanders with 2 servants, and stayed at Dover by the Deputy Governor to the castle, is to be discharged and suffered to repair to London, the late order of restraint notwithstanding; his father having this day attended Council, and engaged his word and honour that his son and servants shall be forthcoming when required, and shall do nothing prejudicial.

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23. Council to meet at 5 p.m.

24. Eight money warrants, made on former orders, signed. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 322–327.]

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Bow Lane.

106. Rob. Gell to Lady Conway, Kensington. I am sorry that my absence has delayed my reply to your letter. Two things are now questioned, one, whether there be gifts of healing in the church, as in the Apostles' times; the other, whether Mr. Coker has those gifts, or only pretends to them.

You question not the former, for the arm of the Lord is not shortened, the needs of mankind are the same, and a special promise is left to believers of that kind, John xiv., 12.

As to Mr. Coker, though he was my auditor some years, I have only known him lately by his sending me his book,* and by 2 short visits he gave me 6 weeks since. To day I went with him to a friend in Islington who I fear will die, and in returning, I saw he had that gift, for divers came to him lame who received present cure. A wounded man who could not bear his arm moved, after Coker's touching him, had his pain abated, and could move his arm. A woman whose right hand had been bent downward 10 years, and the sinews shrunk, had it restored. The Earl of Pembroke told me Coker had done him much good, causing him to void a bladder of blood out of his stomach by laying on his hand. I was told that a lame man, 86 years old, brought to him, went away on his feet. A woman, whose arm had hung lifeless 3 years, and had been cut without bleeding, after ½ an hour of his handling, was restored, and blood ran from the cuts. Many who had known her about Shoreditch went to see her. A man raging mad and blaspheming was brought, and went away sober, and ashamed of his distemper. Consider from what principle these works proceed. God alone doth wondrous things. [2 *pp.*]

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Bill of complaint of John Fisher, by his attorney Charles Southwell, exhibited against Richard Deacon, one of the attorneys of the Court of Common Pleas, for a debt of 100*l.*, on bond of 10 April 1651, damages set at 40*l.* The debt not being denied by Deacon, Fisher is authorised to recover it, with 30*s.* damages. [5 *sheets, Box D., No.* 4.]

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107. Action of trespass in the Court of Exchequer by Adrian Reymans, *alias* Tombouryn, by Samuel Tovey, his attorney, against Rich. Hill, to recover 14 wash of oysters, value 28*l.*, clothes, and other various goods named, detained by the defendant in the parish of St. Mary-le-bow, London, 10 Dec. 1652, to the damage of 100*l.* [5 *sheets.*]

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Whitehall.

Council to the Governor of Windsor Castle. We hear that there is a daily resort to your prisoners, Feake and Simpson, of great numbers of people, some of whom are disaffected, and who take the

* In the King's pamphlets, British Museum, E. 734, No. 8, is "A short and plain Narrative of Mat. Coker, in reference to his gift of healing."—ED.

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opportunity of such assembling to vent their own discontents, leavening others thereby; also that others hold secret conferences with them, and correspond with them by letter, all which is prejudicial to the peace. You are therefore to keep them close prisoners, suffer none to speak to them unless some one appointed by you is present, and debar them wholly from speaking publicly. Approved and signed by his Highness, and 7 of the Council present, 30 May. [*I.* 75, *p.* 330.]

May 28. Colchester. **108.** Giles Wiggoner to Robt. Blackborne. I beg you to present a paper enclosed to the Admiralty Committee, on behalf of Capt. Thos. Elliot of the Fagon, now at Wivenhoe; he has been much abused by Hum. White. I doubt not but the complaint against him will be found to be grounded upon self-ends and malice. As soon as his ship is ready to sail, he will wait upon them to clear himself. [⅔ *page.*] *Annexing,*

108. I. *Depositions of Robt. Page, shipwright, Giles Wiggoner, and 7 others of Wivenhoe, as to the abusive conduct of Hum. White, surveyor, to Capt. Elliott, when he went aboard to survey the ship, calling him a knave, rogue, malignant dog, &c., and offering to fight him.* [3 *pages.*]

May 29. Prize Office. **109.** Prize Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. We perused the petition of Peter Matson, late master of the Linworm, of Tunsbury in Norway, and find she was never in our possession, nor any proceedings had in the Admiralty Court respecting her, but she was stayed while in the Thames by Solomon Smith, marshal of that Court, by order of the Council of State in Oct. 1652, as belonging to the Danes, and has remained under his seizure ever since. [1 *page.*]

May 30. **110.** Petition of John Willoughby, gent., to Council, for a speedy hearing. Was apprehended 12 May by warrant of Council of 10 May, and has been in custody since at great charge, which prejudices his small estate and also his health, being sick when taken of a violent fever. [1 *page.*]

May 30. Order thereon that Pickering, Strickland, and Cooper examine the business on which he was taken into custody, and report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 328.]

May 30. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1, 2. A paper this day delivered by his Highness to the President for Council, for explanation of the commission issued in pursuance of the 28th article of the Dutch treaty, read, approved, and signed by Lawrence, Pickering, and Strickland, 3 of the Commissioners for the treaty, who are to repair to Guildhall this afternoon to meet the Dutch Ambassador, in order that the Commissioners intended in the 30th article of the treaty may declare that they will proceed without respect to either State or any particular interest.

3. Desborow, Pickering, Wolsley, and Cooper, to attend the Protector about the re-purchase of Windsor Little Park, and to receive his pleasure.

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5. The receiving of all new private business into Council to be forborne for 15 days.

7. The Ordinance for the monthly assessment to be brought into Council to-morrow by its Committee.

8. Desborow, Wolsley, Cooper, Mackworth, and Skippon to offer what they judge fit for continuing the power of the Admiralty Commissioners, their present power being near expiring.

9. Like order in reference to the Army Committee.

10. Pickering, Wolsley, and Strickland to read the letters lately received from several ports, and others since the late order for shipping passengers, and to report.

13. An Ordinance for ejecting scandalous and ignorant ministers and schoolmasters read, and returned to the Committee which brought it in, to which Wolsley, Major, and Sydenham are added.

14. Order on decease of Jos. Frost, one of the under clerks, that Roger Jenyns and John Brice, who had allowed them but 3*s.* 4*d.* a day each (*i.e.*, half the pay of an under clerk), be allowed the entire pay of an under clerk, viz., 6*s.* 8*d.*

15. Order on the Lieutenant of the Tower's having certified that Thos. Bunce has rendered himself prisoner, according to a late order of Council for remanding him, that the bond entered into for his bail be delivered up to be cancelled. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 328–331.]

May 30.
Plymouth.

111. Edw. Pateson to the Navy Commissioners. Having had large experience of your willingness to hear the cries of the fatherless and widows, I beg you to remember those about whom I laboured with you when in Scotland, and order Mr. Hayter to write the captains of the fleet to send you up the tickets for the wages due to such as were slain, so that their wages might be received, and something for their death. Hayter promised me, on receipt of the tickets, to get the money for the wages, and pay it where I should appoint, but I hear of no progress, nor any hope of getting for these distressed families the money purchased by the price of blood. My endeavours in their behalf are from their continual tears and cries to me, and from my tender bowels towards them. Pray get the tickets before the captains go off to remote places, and so the poor families be left to perish.

P.S. Pray remember Widow Ashwell and her family, who was wronged of her husband's wages by a woman of Southwark representing she was dead. [2 *pages.*]

May 30.
The Pearl, near Dover.

112. Capt. Ben. Sacheverell to Gen. Penn, the Sovereign, Downs. Plying on the French coast, I met the Dover packet-boat, and thinking there might be some suspicious persons in her, as well as in other vessels, I boarded her, and found the gentlemen whom I have sent you by Capt. Dickinson, whom I suspect to be some of those we were appointed to look after. One of them threw a packet over board, which sunk before I could get out the boat to save it; I also send their portmanteaus, baggage, and letters. [¾ *page.*]

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2. There having been 2,000*l* advanced to Lord Fleetwood, on his expedition as commander-in-chief to Ireland, out of his pay, but nothing allowed him for the great charges of his transportation, the Army Committee is to order the Treasurers-at-war to pay out of their moneys for Ireland 2,000*l.* to Jas. Standish for Lord Fleetwood, in lieu of his said charges. Approved 1 June.

3. The petition of John Langham, late alderman of London, referred to the Committee for regulation of Customs, to report.

6, 7. The assessments to be set in the Ordinance now preparing at 120,000*l.* a month, as formerly, and to be continued for 6 months.

8. Fiennes, Mackworth, Rous, and Wolsley to draw up a preamble for the Assessment Ordinance, fill up the blanks, and present it to Council to-morrow, when the said Ordinance is appointed to be first read.

9. **113.** Order on Desborow's representation concerning the quantity of powder remaining in store in the Tower, that the Admiralty Commissioners issue their warrants to the Ordnance officers to remove several quantities to other places, signifying to the commanders of the said places the quantities designed to them, viz.:—

To Dover Castle	250	barrels.
Deal Castle	300	"
Portsmouth	500	"
Plymouth	200	"
Pendennis Castle	300	"
Total	1,550	

Approved 1 June.

10. An Ordinance of explanation touching the jurisdiction of the Admiralty read, approved, and to be presented to his Highness.

11. An Ordinance for Instituting Admiralty Commissioners twice read, and sent back to the Committee who brought it in, to report again.

12. Order, on information by Desborow, that three prisoners are brought into the Hope by Wm. Kendall, captain of the Sunrise frigate, viz., Wm. Hebdith, Wm. Doran, and Paul Roche, taken at sea as pirates, and brought from Plymouth, that the Admiralty judges report how to proceed in their trial. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 332–334.]

May 31. Dover Castle. **114.** Capt. Thos. Wilson to Thos. Kelsey, lieutenant of Dover Castle, and Admiralty Commissioner, Whitehall. I send the names of 28 English, Dutch, and Scotch passengers who have arrived by the packet-boat from Dunkirk, as also a packet from 3 of them directed to the agent of the Prince of Condé in London, which is of importance, and requires secrecy. They disclosed it partly to me, hoping I should allow them to pass, but being bound up, I was unwilling to adventure. Most of them have been with me for a pass. We have found no letters of any moment. Let me know

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what to do with those I have stopped after the expiration of Council's order, for they are very importunate to go on their business. [1 *page.*]

May ? **115.** Petition of Rob. Collins, seaman, to the Navy Commissioners. Being one of the Constant Warwick, in the late engagement of the English fleet with the Dutch near Messina Road, I lost my left arm, and the ship being overcharged with wounded men, I was turned into the Henry Bonadventure, which was taken by the Dutch, and had to come home by Leghorn; and being robbed of the little money I had, begged my way. On my applying to you, you granted me an order for employment and for pay from my captain, but he says that when you pay him he will pay me.

I dare not go abroad, for my creditors lie in wait to cast me into prison, to the utter undoing of my wife and children, therefore I beg payment without delay, as it is more than a year since I lost my arm. [1 *page.*]

May ? **116.** Report on the petition of Wm. Davenport, marshal of Chester, for payment of moneys due for his place, and for some Scotch prisoners still remaining at Chester, viz.:—

His fee at 3*s.* 4*d.* a day to 22 April 1654 -	£54	3	4
His man's fee, at 6*s* a week - - -	13	15	8
Disbursements for prisoners, at 8*d.* a day -	155	2	8
	£223	1	8

Recommending allowance thereof, but some course to be taken for easing the charge of prisoners in future. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

May ? **117.** Petition of Step. Eddy to Maj.-Gen. Skippon, one of his Highness' Council, and chief commander of the trained bands of the city of London, for an audience, to declare to him the truth in a petition to his Highness, which Mr. Jessop will present to him. Has been the chief cause of bringing hundreds of pounds into the Treasury, and wishes to declare about such viperous enemies as are against his Highness. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

May ? **118, 119.** Proposed order by the Protector, that—whereas on petition of Thos. Horton, D.D., and full debate before the Committee for the Reformation of the Universities, they ordered that he be not disturbed in, or removed from, his professorship of Divinity in Gresham College, London, which he has held 5 years, in case of marriage,—a dispensation be granted to him to possess the said place notwithstanding his marriage. [2 *drafts in Horton's own hand. See* 4 *April* 1654.] *Annexing,*

119. III. *Order alluded to in the Reformation Committee, that he be not removed unless good cause be shown by the Lord Mayor and the rest of the trustees. Noted (which never was done),* 29 *May* 1651. [2 *copies,* 1 *page.*]

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1654. May ? **120.** Petition of Arnold Beake and other owners of the St. John Baptist to the Admiralty Committee, for an order to enable them to reseize their ship and goods, surprised and taken in the Downs by Captains Sedgwick and Leverett, and carried by them to New England, and for such captains to be made liable for any loss or damage. [½ *page.*] *Annexing,*

120. I. *Certificate at a Court-martial held on board the Black Raven by the said captains, that upon examination of Capt. Jno. Claysen, of the St. John the Baptist, they found the ship was Flemish built, was manned by Dutchmen, and did not belong to friends, and as she was lawful prize, they seized her for the service.* 18 *March* 1653–4. [1 *page, Copy.*]

120. II. *Certificate of the Prize Commissioners that the Golden Lily, alias Fleur de Luce, alias St. John the Baptist, was taken prize, and delivered to Thos. Greene at Dover for the service, having been appraised at* 247*l.* 17*s.*, *which was paid by the sub-commissioners there, and that they have not received any papers from Captains Sedgwick and Leverett relating to their seizure of her.* 2 *May* 1654. [1 *page, Copy.*]

120. III. *Report of the Admiralty judges that the said captains have plundered the ship and her lading, belonging to English merchants, and carried them away, together with her papers, without making any report thereof to the Admiralty Court, and that as such irregular proceedings are not only contrary to the general practice and law of nations, but also very scandalous, and tend to the destruction of trade and commerce, order ought to be given for the execution of justice against them.* [2½ *pp.*]

May. **121.** Petition of divers inhabitants of Whitwell-with-Hackford, co. Norfolk, to the Protector. Our church and that of Reepham stand in one yard, so near that service cannot be held in both at the same time without disturbance; Reepham church would contain more than usually attend, and with a small charge, seats might be placed enough for both parishes, the value of which is only 140*l.*, towards all charges and a habitation. We beg an Ordinance to unite the parishes and build the seats, by advice of the 2 nearest justices of peace, and to be free of the charge of repairing Whitwell Church. 10 signatures. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

121. I. *Certificate by Rob. Wood and* 4 *other justices of Norfolk, that Hackford, Whitwell, and Reepham parishes stand conveniently for union, as all the churches are in one churchyard,* 6 *May* 1654. [⅔ *page.*]

121. II. *Certificate by John Martin, minister of Edgefield,* 9 *other ministers, and* 33 *others living near Reepham, in favour*

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of the union of the parishes, and requesting that Wm. Shildrake may he continued preacher, 8 *May* 1654. [1 *page.*]

121. III. *Draft of the Ordinance proposed for their union, the appointment of Shildrake as minister, removal of the seats from Whitwell, and taking down of the church to be sold on behalf of the poor.* [2½ *pp.*]

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June 1. **1.** Petition of John Wood to the Protector. Rich. Braham, delinquent, compounded on the articles of Oxford, holding ⅓ of the subpœna in Chancery, worth 300*l.* a year. Sir Hen. Vane sen. has received the whole profits thereof for 12 or 13 years, by colour of an order in Chancery, though the office was never in disposal of the Commissioners of the Great Seal, and has converted the profits to his own use, without giving in any account. I beg the allowance prescribed by the Act for my discovery thereof. With reference thereon to Council, the order of restraint notwithstanding, 12 May 1654. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

1. I., II. *Notes in Sir Rich. Braham's case that King James granted the Subpœna office to Lord Gorges and his brothers Sir Theobald and Sir Rob. Gorges for their lives. Lord Gorges sold his part to Sir Hen. Vane sen., Sir Theobald his to Braham, Sir Robert his to Grabham. When Braham became a delinquent, Vane seized on his part, which was never sequestered, held it from* 1642 *to* 1647 *without order, and then got an order from the Commissioners of the Great Seal, who had no authority to grant it.* [2 *copies.*]

June 1. **2.** Reference thereon by Council to the Committee for the Treasuries. [½ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 335.]

June 1. **3.** Petition of John Tombes, master or warden of Katherine's Hospital, Ledbury, co. Hertford, to Council, that the trustees for sale of Dean and Chapters' lands may forbear to proceed in the sale of the said hospital lands till further order be given. [½ *page.*]

June 1. Order granting the request till full examination of the matter, as it is still depending before Council. [*I.* 75, *p.* 334.]

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2. Order that, as Wm. Tasborough and John Gillet, 2 warders of the Tower, having in custody Thos. Tudor committed for treason, allowed him through negligence to escape, they be forthwith discharged from their places, and stand committed till further order; the Lieutenant of the Tower to take order accordingly.

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3. An Ordinance to be brought in explaining an Ordinance for disposing the estates of several persons in Scotland, in that clause which concerns the donatives to any persons by Parliament, and to extend the same to lands given by the Commissioners by authority of Parliament, as well as to those given immediately by Parliament.

7. The report of the fact in the case of Jos. Rigby's contempt referred to the Committee who brought it in, to consider what should be done, and report. Strickland, Major, and Jones added to the Committee.

8. The report in the case of Col. Sexby referred back to the Committee to learn further his ground of demand, and question whom they please.

9. Col. Heane, Governor of Jersey, not to deliver up or send out of the island Lieut.-Col. John Lilburne, prisoner under his charge at Mount Orgueil Castle, without special order.

10. Order on signification by Secretary Thurloe of his Highness' pleasure, that 200*l.* a year cash be paid to John Stalham and John Collins, sent to Scotland to dispense the Gospel, as long as they continue there, by the Leith Commissioners, out of the public revenue there; and in order that 50*l.* may be advanced to each for the expenses of their journey, the Army Committee is to warrant its payment from the money designed for the forces in Scotland, on bills to be repaid to them by the Leith Commissioners.

11. Order on report of the Committee on petition of William and Mary Denny [*see* 28 April *suprà*] that the former Committee enquire more particularly about the debt of 720*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*, said to be due on the public faith, and report further.

12. An Ordinance for continuing the Admiralty Commissioners read twice, and agreed to.

13. An Ordinance to give liberty to transport corn, butter, and cheese into foreign parts until Nov. 1 to be prepared by counsel with all speed.

15. Order, on report from the Committee on letters touching persons stayed at ports on the Council's late order, that they be set at liberty to repair to London on business, upon security for their attendance on Council, or the governor or chief officer of the said ports. *Annexing,*

4. I. *Report alluded to, that at Liverpool, many are stayed going to Ireland.*

At Weymouth, vessels are stayed as well as passengers.

At Rye, strangers and outward bound passengers.

At Gravesend, Walter Euster an Irish papist, sent up, but no letter about him.

At Dover, a French gentleman with a letter to the French ambassador's lady, and a German with a list of the forces of this commonwealth. Mr. Arundel and his servants, son, and other Roman Catholics, and an ensign in Holland. Nothing about them but a profane poem. John, son of the old Lord Digby, and brother of Lord Bristol, going to France in a shallop with 3 horses, taken

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without order. Also notes of 11 *others, French, Dutch, Spanish, Flemish and English, and query if they are all to be stayed.* [2 *pages.*]

16. Order that the Governor of Dover Castle send up forthwith the German with a list of the forces, and John Digby.

17. Order on a report from Commissary General Whalley, Col. Goffe and others, on a reference of 26 May last, concerning the company of Capt. Step. White, in Sir Wm. Constable's regiment of foot, that as the company had the charge of Chester, Denbigh, and Harding castle, and of Redcastle, and has continued to be mustered at 100 men, the 30 men added be paid from 1 May last, to which time they were continued by an order of 3 April, and be continued to 26 June next. Approved 9 June. *Annexing,*

5. I. *Report on which the said order is founded.* 29 *May* 1654, [1 *page.*]

5. II. *Capt. Step. White to Lord Lambert. I trouble you on account of the great want of my poor soldiers, and I cannot get an order for them unless you move Council on my behalf. With copy of the preceding report.* 1 *June* 1654. [1 *page.*]

18. Approval by the Protector of 34 orders, 5–31 May. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 334–338.]

June 2. **6.** Petition of the messengers attending Council to Council, for payment of their bills for land and sea service, as allowed by former Councils, as petitioned for 6 weeks since, that they may pay their debts and continue to serve. [*See* 28 *April suprà.*] Have had no money for journeys for a year, and are ½ a year behind in their salaries. [1 *page.*]

June 2. Order on Mr. Jessop's report of the bills of the messengers, master of the barges, and Mr. Scutt, amounting to 776*l.* 1*s.*, that the demand of 6*d.* per mile for sailing by sea, in the bills of Rowland Faukard, Hen. Symball, Jos. Butler, and Geo. Hussey, be further considered. Also that of the 2 last for 2*s.* 6*d.* a stage in riding post, and that the rest of the sums be paid from Council's contingencies. That Mr. Scobell and Jessop speak with the serjeant-at-arms, and propose how to meet the charge of prisoners committed to him. That the master of the barges' bill of 31*l.* be paid, and also Scutt's bill for 74*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.* for the quarter ended 16 Nov. 1653. [I. 75. *p.* 340.]

June 2. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1, 2. Wolsley reports amendments to the Ordinance for the assessments, which were read. Order that the assessments shall be at the rate of 120,000*l.* a month for the first 3 months, and 90,000*l.* for the last 3. The same Committee to perfect the bill accordingly, and report this afternoon. Approved 8 June.

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3. An Ordinance for further doubling 2,000*l.* on the sale of Dean and Chapters' lands twice read, and agreed to. Approved 9 June.

4. The President reports the Protector's approval of Ordinances for explaining the jurisdiction of the Admiralty, and for continuing the powers of the Admiralty Committee, which are passed, and ordered to be printed and published. Also an Ordinance for paying moneys to Dan. Hutchinson and Mich. Casteel, which is passed.

5. An Ordinance for reviving the Court of the Duchy of Lancaster twice read, and agreed to, and to be presented to the Protector to fill in the blanks with names. Approved 9 June.

10. Hannah Trapnell sent in custody from Cornwall according to an order of Council, and now under charge of the serjeant-at-arms, to be sent to Bridewell, and kept there till further order.

13. The Customs' and Excise Committee to consider Nath. Knight's petition to the Protector, and report.

14. The Commissioners appointed by the 30th article of the Dutch treaty to be at liberty to remove their sittings from Guildhall to Skinners' Hall.

15. Order on information that Col. Rob. Lilburne has sold and is selling quantities of timber for shipping at Newcastle, which will require more horses or oxen for draught than are allowed by the Ordinance for repairing highways, that he be allowed to use as many beasts as he finds necessary, without incurring penalty. Approved 9 June.

16. The 1,000*l.* agreed by an order of 31 March 1654 to be allowed to the Earl of Mulgrave, in respect of the demolishing of his house, to be paid out of the money coming in from the subscribers of the Yorkshire engagement.

20. Lambert reports what has been done for the sub-division of the 20 persons allotted for the proportions of the shires in Scotland, with the places to meet for their respective elections, one man each.

Shire.	Place of Meeting.
Orkney, Zetland, Caithness	Caithness.
Sutherland, Ross, Cromarty	Ross.
Inverness	Thosume.
Elgin, Nairne, Bamff, Aberdeen	Elginshire.
Kincardine, Forfar	Forfar.

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Fife Kinross Perth	Fife.
Linlithgow Stirling Clackmannan	Stirling.
Dumbarton Argyle Bute	Dumbarton.
Ayr Renfrew	Ayr.
Lanark Midlothian Berwick Roxborough	The same.
Selkirk Peebles Dumfries Wigton East Lothian	Peebles.

The sub-division of 10 persons allotted for the proportion of the boroughs in Scotland, with the places to meet at for election.

Edinburgh 2 men, the rest 1 man each.

Dornoch Tain Inverness Dingwell Nairn Elgin Forres	Inverness.
Bamff Cullen Aberdeen	Aberdeen.
Forfar Dundee Arbroath Montrose Brechin	Dundee.
Linlithgow Queensferry Perth Culross Stirling	Stirling.

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Shire.	Place of Meeting.
St. Andrew's Dysart Kirkcaldy Cooper Anstruther East Pittenweme Creel Dumfermline Kinghorn Anstruther West Inverkeithing Kilrenny Brunt Island	Couper in Fife, being all boroughs in that shire.
Lanark Glasgow Rutherglen Rothsay Renfrew Ayr Irvin Dumbarton	Glasgow.
Dumfries Sinclair Lochmaben Aunand Wigtown Kircudbright Whithorne Galloway	Dumfries.
Peebles Selkirk Jeddart Lander N. Berwick Dumbar Haddington	Lander.

Approved 5 June.

28. The Army Committee to prepare an Ordinance for assessments in Scotland.

29. Six warrants for payment of money signed. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 339–348.]

June 2.
Whitehall.

Council to the Governors of Weymouth, Poole, Southampton, Dover, and Portsmouth, and to the chief magistrates of Christchurch, Shoreham, Arundel, Chichester, and Rye. You are to cause all repairing to your port as passengers, outwards or inwards, to be strictly examined whence they come, whither they go, and on what

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occasion, search for all their papers, and enquire into their business and affection to the public interest; and on cause of suspicion, detain them in safe custody till further orders, representing the case to his Highness and Council. [*I.* 75, *p.* 348. *I.* 112, *p.* 29. *I.* 113, *p.* 6.]

June ? **7.** [The owners of the Marmaduke to the Admiralty Commissioners.] When the Marmaduke was set forth to sea in 1650 for Russia and the Straits, she was worth 5,000*l.* Being taken in the Straits by Prince Rupert, on the Coast of Guinea some of our men revolted, and brought her home to Plymouth in April 1652, with goods value 1,400*l.*, of which 880*l.* was given to the men, and the State had 520*l.* There being then a want of a convoy for Ireland, the Marmaduke was sent, and has continued in that service ever since. As she was not retaken by any in the State's employment, as the State has gained 500*l.* by her, and as she has been two years in the service, and in all the engagements against the Hollanders, and taken many prizes, we conceive it to be just that our ship should not only be restored to us (as several ships have been) but also that we should have some consideration for the time she has been in the service, which according to the salary allowed to other ships, would amount to 4,000*l.* The ships which have been thus returned are the Culpepper and the Roebuck, both taken by Prince Rupert, retaken by the State's Fleet, and restored to the owners upon their arrival, the Roebuck only paying $\frac{1}{8}$ as salvage; also a ship of Mr. Newland's, of the Isle of Wight, and another of Bristol, retaken from the French, brought into England, and recovered at law without paying salvage. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*] *Annexing.*

7. I. *List of the* 19 *owners of the Marmaduke, signed by Gilbert Keate, one of them.* [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

June 2. Navy Office. **8.** Navy Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. We have examined the claim made to the Marmaduke, surprised by Prince Rupert, and send a list of her owners and their respective shares. After she was taken, she was employed as a man-of-war against the State, but was recaptured by some seamen, who were compensated. By Acts of Parliament in such cases, they were entitled to half her value. When brought into Plymouth, she had 36 guns, and was appraised at 1,926*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*, but when taken, she had only 28, and an abatement being made thereon, her value was 1,804*l.* 12*s.* 10*d.*; the owners should be allowed their respective parts of 902*l.* 6*s.* 5*d.*, being half of the appraisement. We cannot say whether they were all well affected; one of them, Capt. Royden, is a malignant. [2 *pages.*]

June 3. Doctors' Commons. **9.** Admiralty Judges to the Protector and Council. You ask our opinions about the trial of 3 pirates brought in by Capt. Kendall. Unless they are sent to Dorsetshire, to be tried on the commission already issued, we think an Oyer and Terminer commission should be issued to persons in Surrey, with one or more of the Admiralty judges, as is usual. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

June 5. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. **10.** Six ships of war to be sent this season to Newfoundland,

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on instructions to be given by his Highness; the Admiralty Commissioners to see that they are forthwith dispatched.

2. 14 ships of war to be prepared for the Western design, with fit supply of victuals, ammunition, and stores, and the said commissioners to order accordingly.

3. Like order for 20 ships of war to be prepared for the Straits.

4. Also for 4 ships which are to go with the 20 ships to the Straits.

5. The fore-mentioned orders to be put under secrecy. [¾ *page.*]*

June 6. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

4. Approval by the Protector of 2 Ordinances of 2 June. [*I.* 75, *p.* 350.]

June 7.
Navy Office.

11. Navy Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. We have considered the petition of Capt. Robt. Swanley, and the rest of the owners of the Harry Bonadventure, as to the freight due for her voyage to the Straits, and gave an account thereof on 25 April 1654; that she was employed with 75 men from 7 December 1652 to 20 April following, and from thence with 110 men to 25 June, when she was taken, being 7 months 5 days, amounting to 3,499*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.* out of which 702*l.* 14*s.* 3*d.* has to be abated for victuals and wages, leaving 2,796*l.* 16*s.* 7*d.* due, of which 2,015*l.* 10*s.* has been imprested on account. [1 *page.*]

June 7. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings, in his Highness' chamber.

1. Order that 800 recruits be added to Col. Barkstead's regiment of foot; also 8 drums, 16 serjeants, 16 corporals, and 10 drummers, to the Protector, Col. Ingoldsby, and Col. Goffe's regiments. The Army Committee to issue warrants for payment.

2-4. The form of an Indenture between the sheriff and electors of persons to represent counties in Parliament read, agreed to, and to be presented to the Protector. Also the form between the sheriffs and burgesses and inhabitants of boroughs; and both being approved by him, put to the question and passed.

5. The form of a pass for ships of the United provinces passed. Order that a certain number of passes be provided, sealed with Council's seal, attested by the clerk of Council, and sent to the ambassadors of the States General, to be disposed of as they see cause. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 350, 351.]

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Whitehall.

Pres. Lawrence to the Sheriffs. The Protector and Council have thought fit that, at the time and place where proclamation is made of the writ for election, the instrument entitled the Government of the Commonwealth of England, Scotland, and Ireland be also read, whereof a copy is enclosed.

P.S. You will receive herewith a copy of an indenture to be returned upon the elections. [*I.* 75, *p.* 351.]

June 8. Form of indenture between the sheriff and the electors of county members of Parliament, that—proclamation having been made in every market town in the county within 10 days after receipt of a writ

* These orders are not entered in the Council order book. ED.

from the Protector to the sheriff for the election of members of a Parliament to be held at Westminster 3 Sept. next,—they have freely chosen fit and discreet Knights girt with swords, who have full power to act in Parliament. Proviso that they do not alter the government as now settled in a single person and Parliament.

Similar indenture for election of burgesses of good knowledge and discretion, as members for towns. With orders that both indentures be printed, published, and sent to the sheriffs, to the end that the indentures may be made according to these forms. [4 *pages, printed. Collection of Acts, Vol.* 2, *No.* 89. *Record Office Library,* 498 *F.*]

June 8. Act for a 6 months' assessment, at the rate of 120,000*l.* a month the first 3 months, and 90,000*l.* a month the last 3 months, for maintaining the armies and navies. With lists of some of the Commissioners appointed for its levy. [13 *pages, printed. Coll. of Acts, vol.* 2, *No.* 90. *Record Office Library,* 498 *F.*]

June 8. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings, in his Highness' chamber.

1. Order that Wolsley be added to the Committee for regulating the Courts of Law and Chancery.

2. Approval by the Protector of the Ordinance for assessments.

4. Order on report from the Committee on the petition of the overseers of Col. Thos. Horton's children [*see* 3 *May suprà*], that 1,405*l.* arrears due to him be paid for the use of his son out of the moneys arising from compositions in Scotland, in full of all demands. Approved 22 June. *Annexing,*

12. I. *Report on which the above order is founded.* [*Draft,* [⅔ *page.*]

8. The Deputy Governor of Dover Castle to permit M. Beaulieu, lately come from France, and detained at Dover, to repair to London, on engaging to make address to one of the clerks of Council.

10. The Lord President acquaints Council that the Ordinance touching creditors and poor prisoners, being presented to the Protector, was referred to counsel, who have returned it with amendments, and that the Protector has sent it back to Council; upon reading whereof, after some alterations and the addition of 2 provisoes, the same was agreed, and ordered to be presented to the Protector. Approved 9 June.

11. Order that the Army Committee issue a warrant to the Treasurers-at-war to pay to Commissioner Thos. Fowler 5,450*l.* 4*s.*, on account for 3 months' pay for one regiment of foot and a troop of 150 horse, designed for special service, out of the money for the forces in Ireland, and the order of 26 May for payment to John Alured revoked. Approved 9 June.

12. A letter from the Revenue Commissioners at Leith, dated June 1, concerning the revenue of Scotland, referred to the Scotch Committee, to report.

13. Order on Wolsley's report from the Committee on the petition of the Governor and Company of Merchants trading to Russia, that some fit person recommended by the merchants be sent

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at their charge to the Emperor of Russia as the Protector's agent, to restore and settle the trade between England and Russia according to ancient privilege. Approved 22 June.

14. The petition of Sir John Glanville, serjeant-at-law, referred to Sydenham, Desborow, Cooper, Strickland, Rous, Jones, Mackworth, and Fiennes, to report.

15. On consideration of the Earl of Antrim's petition for his liberty whilst attending to represent his condition, it was not thought fit to advise that his petition be granted.

16. Cooper, Pickering, and Strickland to give fit instructions to prevent breach of the peace between Sir Wm. Farmer and Mr. Digby by their engaging in any duel.

18. The Treasury Committee to consider on what treasury 2,000*l.* may best be charged for supply of the Council's contingencies.

19. Pickering, Strickland, and Jones to examine 2 bills of Mr. Downam, upholsterer, of 489*l.* 5*s.* 9*d.* and 67*l.* 16*s.* for goods to furnish chambers in Whitehall, that a warrant may be issued for payment.

20. An Ordinance to authorise the Treasurers at Haberdashers' Hall to pay money on warrants from the Commissioners there referred to Mackworth, Strickland, Wolsley, Fiennes, and Pickering, to report.

21. Mr. Embree, surveyor, and Mr. Waterhouse, his Highness' steward, to learn what claims are made to any privileges at Hampton Court by virtue of letters patent from the late King, and as they shall see cause to advise thereon with counsel, and report.

22. Jehan Baptist Vandergowse, sent up by the Deputy Governor of Dover without a charge, to be forthwith discharged.

23. Commissary Gen. Whalley and Col. Goffe to examine Mr. Digby, who endeavoured privately to get to sea, and the German gentleman with whom was found a list of all the forces of this commonwealth, both sent up in custody from Dover. The serjeant-at-arms to keep them in custody meanwhile.

24. Whalley and Goffe, being justices of peace for co. Middlesex to examine Charles Rich and Mr. Poltney, touching a late quarrel between them, and a challenge made, and to proceed according to law.

26. Three warrants for payment of money signed. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 351–356.]

June 8.
Doctors' Commons.

13. Dr. Walter Walker to Mr. Jessop. I have often asked the late Council of State whether ships belonging to subjects of Denmark should be charged as reprisals or not, but could get no order.

In the late peace with the Dutch, Denmark is, in such sort as the articles express, taken into the treaty, so that the question is at an end for the time to come. But there is one case now on hand, and another coming on, about which I want to know whether to proceed; and if so, I must have an order by next Wednesday, or the Court cannot, by the rules of justice, further detain the ship, but must release it as free. [1 *page, holograph.*]

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[June 9.] **14.** Petition of Rowland Place, high sheriff, and the inhabitants of co. Durham, to the Protector, for a special Ordinance for holding assizes and gaol delivery at Durham, by the judges appointed from time to time for the northern circuit. There are many felons in the gaol, many actions very long depending, and settlement of estates imperfect for want of levying fines and suffering recoveries; the prisoners are a great burden and disturbance, and nothing can be perfected without assizes, this being a county palatine, and none held there the last 2 years. [¾ *page.*] *Annexing,*

14. I. *Certificate by Sir Th. Widdrington, and John Lisle, Commissioners of the Great Seal, Sir Hen. Vane, keeper of the Records, co. Durham, and Hugh Windham, late judge of assize in the northern circuit, to the great need of assizes on the grounds named above, as the sheriff can hardly keep the prisoners safely, and there has been but one assize the last 4 years.* [1 *page.*]

June 9. An Ordinance enabling the said judges to hold assizes and gaol delivery at Durham read, passed by his Highness and Council, and ordered to be printed and published. [*I.* 75, *p.* 360.]

June 9. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order that Commissary Gen. Whalley and Col. Goffe forthwith order the removal of those who were apprehended on last night's search, and are now confined in the under-mentioned places, viz.,—those in London to Guildhall, or where the Lord Mayor shall appoint; those in the Tower liberty, Southwark, and Lambeth to the Sessions House in Southwark; those about Holborn, St. Giles's, Islington, St. John's, and Westminster to the painted chamber and the Mews,—that they may be examined by the persons authorised. Also that guards be appointed to secure them.

2. Order that the said persons be strictly examined as to their names, quality, condition, business, dwelling, time they have been in London, whence they came, and on what occasion, and all other circumstances.

3. The performance of that service committed especially to the following:

For those apprehended in the city of London:

The Lord Mayor.	Ald. Andrews.
Ald. Tichborne.	Ald. Frederick.
Ald. Eastwicke.	Col. Owen Roe.
Ald. Foote.	

For the liberty of the Tower, Southwark, and Lambeth:

The Lieutenant of the Tower.	Col. Hardwick.
Francis Allen.	Mr. Waterton.
Cornelius Cook.	

For Holborn, Islington, St. John's, Clerkenwell, Sepulchre's-without, Cripplegate-without, and thereabouts:

Col. Grosvenor.	Major Robinson.
Josias Barners.	Major Heynes.

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Seriff Biggs.
Col. Wm. Bosseville.
Lieut. Col. Cobett.
Mr. Cresset.
Col. Berry.
Mr. Lisle.

For Westminster, Covent Garden, and thereabout:

Com. Gen. Whalley.
Col. Goffe.
Adjutant Gen. Nelthorp.
Capt. Blackwell.
Thos. Fauconbridge.
Mr. Sherwin.
Lieut.-Col. Worsley.
Mr. Martin.
Mr. Stockdale.

4. That in their examination of the persons apprehended, they are to try to discover if any of the following are of their number:

Col. Phillips, who escaped from the Tower.
Col. Chas. Finch.
Maj. Thos. Henshaw.
Mr. Bowers.
Col. Deane.
Maj. Hardcastle.
Thos. Mayrhood or Mayhart.
Henry Browne.
Capt. Levinston.
— Seagrave, a Papist.

And if any of the above be discovered, their safety is to be looked to.

5. On the examination of all the above, Commissioners are to classify them as follows:

Irishmen.
Persons who have acted against the commonwealth since 1648.
Officers who have served against Parliament and are come from beyond sea since Dec. 1653.
Foreigners.
Persons who have no visible means of subsistence.
Persons called hectors, common gamesters, common tavern haunters, and idle persons, and such as can give no good account of their calling.
Papists.
Officers heretofore employed against Parliament, who can give no good account of themselves.
Suspicious persons on any particular consideration.

6. The Commissioners to make a particular return to the Protector as soon as possible.

7. Several copies of this order to be sent to the Lord Mayor of London, Lieutenant of the Tower, Col. Grosvenor, and Commissary Gen. Whalley, for those appointed to effect the service.

8. Lieut. Hacket, now under guard at Whitehall, to be discharged.

9. A license granted by the Protector, at request of the Governor of Dieppe, and petition of the fishermen there, for Nich. Covet, of the St. Adrian to enter the seas between England and France, and fish at the usual times and places, without trouble or molestation.

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10. Approval by the Protector of 3 orders. 1–8 June.

12. Also approval of 3 Ordinances, which are passed, and to be printed and published. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 358–361.]

June 9. **15.** Petition of Michael Crake, water bailiff of Sunderland, to the Protector, to confirm an order, as given below. With reference thereon to the Admiralty Committee. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

15. I. *Order of the Earl of Northumberland, Walter Earle, and Gyles Green, late Admiralty Commissioners, directing Crake,—as the Wear is in danger of being spoiled by shipmasters coming to Sunderland for coals, emptying their ballast within the full sea mark, and thereby stopping up the river—to see that the collectors of that port withold their dockets clearing such ships, until they receive a certificate from the water bailiff as to where their ballast has been laid, as is done at Newcastle. The bailiff not to take more than the usual fees,* 12 *May* 1654. [¾ *page.*]

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The Fairfax, Downs.

16. Vice-Admiral Jno. Lawson to the Generals of the Fleet, Whitehall. According to order the Laurel and Torrington have sailed for Portsmouth, the Rosebush for Chatham, and the Adam and Eve and Bridgewater will follow, as directed by Gen. Penn. The Centurion and Gillyflower have come in, having been a convoy to the Brighthelmstone fishing boats, whose fishing season has expired. I enclose the examinations and result of the council of war respecting disorders committed on the Black Raven. I have sent the ship to Woolwich for orders. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

16. I.–VI. *Interrogatories and examinations thereon of Capt. Ric. Thurston, commander, and the officers of the Black Raven, taken at a council of war held on board the Sovereign, as to the abandonment of the ship at sea, while on a voyage to New England, as being unfit for further service; also as to drunkenness and embezzlement of wine on board, belonging to Major Sedgwick, commander of the squadron, by Thos. Young and Henry Stocker, midshipmen, Nicholas Smithson, a soldier, and others. With the answers of Young, Stocker, and Smithson that the Major condoned their offences at a council of war in Fyall Road.* [7 *papers.*]

16. VII. *Order in a Court-martial held on board the Sovereign, to investigate charges of embezzlement, drunkenness, and mutiny on board the Black Raven, then commanded by Major Sedgwick, now going to New England; that as the parties implicated were tried by a council of war at Fyall, when the Major condoned their offences, and as he has not entered any complaint against them the court can not now take cognizance thereof.* 10 *June* 1654. [2 *pages.*]

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June 12. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Col. Jones reports an Ordinance for establishing a High court of justice, which was read, and committed to Mackworth, Wolsley, Strickland, and Jones.

2. The Ordinance touching the Admiralty and Navy Commissioners, as amended by the Committee, read and agreed to.

3, 5. The petition of the Governor and Fellowship of Merchant Adventurers of England referred to the Commissioners for the Danish treaty, to make just provision for their satisfaction. Also that part of a paper annexed, concerning prohibiting persons from trading in those parts who are not free of the said fellowship, and the payment of duty by such as are free; they are to hear both parties and report.

4. The petition of the mayor, aldermen, and citizens of Bath, co. Somerset, for making the River Avon navigable, referred to Rous, Major, Sydenham, Desborow, and Cooper, to report. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 361, 362.]

June 12. **17.** Report by Thos. Fauconberg, on a reference 29 May, of the petition of Wm. Watts, late woodward of Surrey [*see* 2 *March* 1654], that from 1634 to 1645 he only acted as deputy to Rich. Watts; that he held the office from 1645 to 1649, when he was dismissed for cutting down wood without leave, but has had several sums by way of charity; that the allowances he claims are not due, and if an account of his receipts from sales of wood could be had, he would be found indebted to the State; but that it would stop his clamour if a small sum were allowed him in full of all demands. [4¾ *pages.*]

June 13. **18.** Petition of Nath. Byfield, minister of Silverton, co. Devon, to the Protector and Council. On the sequestration of the rectory, was placed there by the county Committee with a salary of 120*l.* from the rectory; on non-payment, appealed to the late Committee for Plundered Minsters, who fully settled him in the rectory. On the dissolution of the late Parliament, the county committee, by influence of some amongst them, since laid aside, granted 120*l.* a year out of the rectory to Rich. Bryan. Complained to the Council of State, and was confirmed, and at a trial at law, Bryan's order was declared invalid. Yet Bryan has obtained an instrument from the Commissioners for Approbation of Ministers, who knew nothing of petitioner's interest, and who say they cannot revoke their instrument without power given. Begs relief to prevent his utter ruin, and to be quieted in possession of the rectory. [1 *page.*]

June 13. Reference thereon to the Commissioners for Approbation of Ministers, to examine the respective claims, and give just order for Byfield's relief. Approved 22 June. [*I.* 75, *p.* 365.]

Jnne 13. **19.** Petition of John Yaxley, minister of Kibworth, co. Leicester, to Council. Wm. Hunt, the late rector, being sequestered for de-

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linquency, I was settled by the Committee for Plundered Ministers, and confirmed by the Committee for Sequestrations, and have enjoyed the rectory quietly for 7 years, but now Hunt sues me for possession, and the trial is to be next assizes. He appealed to the Committee for Sequestration, 6 Aug. 1645, but has not prosecuted his appeal. I beg stay of proceedings, and confirmation in the rectory for life. [¾ *page.*]

June 13. Order thereon that Yaxley be confirmed in the rectory till further order. Approved 22 June. [*I.* 75, *p.* 367.]

June 13. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Ordinance for establishing a High Court of Justice, as twice amended, to be presented to his Highness.

2. Order that—as writs are issued to elect 4 members of Parliament for co. Hunts, 4 for co. Cambridge, and 2 for the Isle of Ely, on the same day, and as the sheriff cannot be present in all 3 places, —he may send deputies. Approved 19 June.

3. Like order for the sheriff of co. York, 6 members having to be chosen for the West Riding, 4 for the East, and 4 for the North. Approved 19 June.

4. Like order for the sheriff of co. Hants, 8 members having to be chosen for the county, and 2 for the Isle of Wight, to attend in the said Isle by deputy. Approved 19 June.

5. Like general order for the sheriffs where elections are on the same day, to attend personally at one place, and by deputy at the others. Approved 19 June.

6. Writs of *habeas corpus* being often issued to demand prisoners committed by his Highness and Council, Fiennes, Cooper, Lambert, Strickland, and Mackworth are to consider what should be done in such cases, consult with counsel, and report.

10. Fiennes, Jones, and Wolsley to consider the information against Thos. Wilkes and Pansey Brograve, for words spoken against the Protector, to examine witnesses, and report.

11. An Ordinance for an assessment on Scotland being twice read and some blanks filled up, referred to the Army Committee, to consider if the last clause correspond with the instructions given to Gen. Monk, and if the former assessment expire on June 24, and to report.

13. Order on Col. Jones' report that Mr. Waterhouse, his Highness' steward, had certified the particulars and price of goods delivered for his Highness' use by Francis Downham, the upholsterer, that the clerks of Council cast up the said bills, and on adjusting the same, and subscription of them by Waterhouse, a warrant shall be issued for payment out of Council's contingencies.

15. Order on a certificate sent in by Col. Pride,—that provision is made of 203 tents for 218*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.* for his own regiment, besides the 1,000 provided by the Ordnance officers; for payment whereof, and for shoes for Col. Alured's forces, 13,000*l.* was delivered to the Admiralty Commissioners,—that so much of the 13,000*l.* as remains, after payment for the above, shall be employed towards

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the 218*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.*, and the rest shall be satisfied out of Council's contingencies.

19. The Ordinance for establishing a High Court of Justice passed, his Highness' approval being signified.

21. Order—on information that Wm. Bartlet is settled in the sequestration of Bideford rectory, co. Devon, by an order of the late Committee of Plundered Ministers 1648,—confirming him therein, and the mayor and justices of Bideford are to give him fit help to recover his dues. Approved 22 June.

22. An Ordinance for continuing the Commissioners for ordering the affairs of the Admiralty read, approved, and to be presented to his Highness, and his approval being received, passed for law. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 363–367.]

June 14. **20.** Petition of Lawrence Wright, M.D., patron of Henham vicarage, Essex, to the Protector. The vicarage is only worth 50*l.*, the parish large, and long destitute of a preaching minister; has lately obtained one approved by the Committee for Public Preachers, but is in danger of losing him for want of maintenance. Begs 50*l.* a year from the trustees for ministers, as the augmentations of 30*l.* to Mr. Latham of Stifford and 34*l.* to Mr. Ball of Fornes Pelhams, co. Herts, cease, by both being settled in other livings. [1 *page.*]

June 14. Order granting the 30*l.* lately paid to Mr. Latham. Approved 22 June. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 369, 390.]

June 14. **21.** Petition of John Ireton, alderman, and John Humfrey, citizen of London, to the Protector. In 1644, we laid out 90*l.* towards making London House a prison, and had therefor an old stable, on which we spent 286*l.* to make it a warehouse; but on the Act for sale of Bishops' lands, it was valued at 30*l.* a year, and we had to buy it at 12 years' purchase, though before it was only worth 3*l.* a year. The contractors for sale could not relieve us, but the Committee for Obstructions drew up a report to be presented to Parliament, which we beg may be confirmed, and the premises conveyed to us on paying the remainder of the purchase money. With order thereon that the contractors pass the conveyance, or certify, 30 Jan. 1653–4, and reference to Council, 3 May 1654. *Annexing,*

21. I. *Report by the Committee for Obstructions to Parliament, that the* 90*l. and the* 286*l. named in the petition should be allowed in defalcation of the purchase money.* 7 *Aug.* 1650. [1¼ *pages.*]

21. II. *Copy of parcel of the survey of the part alluded to of the Bishop of London's palace.* [3½ *sheets.*]

21. III. *Certificate by the contractors for sale of Bishops' lands, that by their rules they are not empowered to grant reprizes, but must sell at the value returned by the surveyor, which caused the report to be made to Parliament but nothing was done upon it. Gurney House,* 24 *Feb.* 1653–4. [1⅔ *pages.*]

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June 14. Reference thereon by Council to Cooper, Mackworth, Desborow, Skippon, and Rous, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 370.] *Annexing,*

22. I. *Report that the contractors should be authorised to grant a reprize for* 376*l.*, *being the* 90*l. and the* 286*l. alluded to, out of the payment of the residue of the money on the contract.* [1 *page.*]

June 14. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. **23.** Mackworth, Wolsley and Cooper to consider Ed. Dendy's desire to be indemnified in relation to his concernments in the prison of the Upper Bench, and to report.

3. Wolsley, Lambert, Rous, Skippon, and Major to consider the best way to prevent tumultuous meetings of persons on pretext of Quakers or otherwise, and to report.

4. 50*l.* to be paid yearly, out of the revenues for maintenance of ministers, to John Clerke, minister of Hungerford. co. Wilts, out of the impropriate rectories of Melksham, Durnford, and Netherhaven. Approved 22 June.

6. The Ordinance for impowering the Treasurers at Haberdashers' Hall to pay money on warrants from the Commissioners there to be considered to-morrow.

8. The petition to his Highness of the nobles and gentlemen of Scotland fined by the late Act of grace, referred by him to Council, referred tothe Scotch Committee, to report.

9. Order on a report from the Committee for preservation of Customs, on the petition of John Langham, late alderman of London, about the import of goods of his now in Holland and Flanders, that it be laid aside, as contrary to the Act for Navigation. *Annexing,*

24. I. *Report alluded to, that the allegations of the petition are true, but that all persons exporting foreign goods, and receiving back half the custom, should pay the full custom on re-importing them, and that the precedent of their re-admission on half custom would be very prejudicial to the revenue. Also that as the import is contrary to the Act for Navigation, it would be a favour to import the goods at full customs.* 2 *June* 1654. [¾ *page.*]

10. **25, 26.** The Admiralty Commissioners to order that all brass guns, demi-culverins and upwards, in Guernsey be put aboard the State ship there and brought to England, and then disposed of as best for their security and the service, a sufficient number of iron guns being sent to Gurnsey in their place. Approved 22 June.

11. The report from the Committee on Mrs. Anne Howard's petition referred back to the same Committee, to consider further.

12. **27.** The Admiralty Commissioners to treat with the man who offered brass guns for sale, as certified by Major-Gen. Lambert, and report.

13. The draft of an Ordinance for reviving the powers of the Commissioners at Haberdashers' Hall, as to the Yorkshire engagement, read, approved, and to be presented to his Highness.

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16. The Ordinance for regulating Hackney coachmen now read and the blank filled up, approved, and to be presented to his Highness.

17. The Ordinance for ejecting scandalous ministers to be read to-morrow.

18. Jones, Mackworth, Cooper, and Wolsley to bring in an Ordinance for passing the accounts for church livings in Wales.

19. An Ordinance for licensing the export of corn, butter, and cheese, prepared by counsel, read, and committed to Cooper, Rous, and Jones, to report.

20. An Ordinance concerning the draining of some surrounded grounds in Norfolk and Suffolk referred to Mackworth, Wolsley, and Cooper, to report.

21. The report of the Committee on Wm. Blaxton's petition to be considered to-morrow.

22. The draft of a Commission to authorise Commissioners to proceed in ecclesiastical matters in Scotland committed to the Scotch Committee.

23. A Commission to Col. Fenwick, Geo. Smith, John Swinton, Wm. Lockhart, Ed. Moseley, Lord Southall, for administration of justice in civil matters in Scotland, read and approved, and to be presented to the Protector.

24. Also a commission to the same Commissioners for administration of justice in Scotland in criminal matters. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 368–372.]

June 14.
Whitehall.

Pres. Lawrence to Col. Saunders in Derbyshire. Council has received information of tumultuous meetings lately held in co. Derby by persons under the name of Quakers, which may give opportunity to the disaffected to prosecute designs prejudicial to the public good. They therefore recommend it to your care to scatter such meetings, and in future to prevent them if possible. If you find any whose notorious disaffection to the present Government, or former adherence to the enemies of Parliament, render them justly suspicious, you shall apprehend and secure them till further order; and for your speedy and effectual execution of the same, you are to use any of the forces under you. [*I.* 75, *p.* 373.]

June 14.
Whitehall.

Pres. Lawrence to the Governor of Gloucester. Council has received information that several persons of Winchcomb and thereabouts oppose the execution of the Ordinance for destroying English tobacco, and have tried to make that opposition good with armed force of horse and foot, which not only being reflexive upon the honour of the supreme power, but also hazardous to the public peace by giving the disaffected advantage to assemble riotously, they recommend it to your care to suppress all tumultuous meetings on that or any other pretence, and to find out and arrest the ringleaders, and for that purpose to call to your help the troop of horse in co. Gloucester. [*I* 75, *p.* 374.]

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June 14. Whitehall. Pres. Lawrence to the Commissioners for executing the Ordinance for preventing the planting of tobacco. On information that persons of Winchcomb and thereabouts oppose the execution of your Ordinance to prevent the planting of English tobacco, Council has directed the Governor of Gloucester to suppress all riotous meetings on that or any other pretence, and commands you to apply to the justices and sheriff of peace in that county to interpose their authority according to law, to suppress those disturbances and arrest the ringleaders. On fit application from you, the sheriff and justices are required to give their assistance. [*I.* 75, *p.* 375.] *Annexing,*

28. I. *Report that a quantity of tobacco in Gloucestershire has been destroyed, but the Commissioners durst not destroy any about Winchcomb, as the people raised* 300 *armed horse and foot to fight the troop, and they intend to induce other places to join them in their resolution, saying they were bred to the trade, and if they lose it, they will lose their lives. They buy up all the tobacco plants, and declare they will plant again for all that is destroyed. They have sent agents to London from whom they expect redress. The work cannot be effected in those parts without a good force, and if it be checked, what is done will be to no great purpose.* 11 *June* 1654. [1 *page.*]

June 15. **29.** Petition of Thomas Lord Savage to Council, for a pass to Yorkshire, with 6 servants, horses, and arms, having to go on account of the death of a friend, and being unwilling to travel without leave. [1 *page.*]

June 15. Order granting the pass to go and return. [*I.* 75, *p.* 377; *I.* 112, *p.* 37; *I.* 113, *p.* 14.]

June 15. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Cooper, Mackworth, Sydenham, and Jones to be a committee to speak with counsel concerning the business of the High court of justice and the trial of the Portuguese, so that both may be put in a speedy way of proceeding without interfering with each other. Counsel to attend both, and the committee to meet this afternoon.

2. The 2 lord chief justices, and the rest of the judges and barons of Exchequer to be requested not to leave town till further order.

3. Col. Scrope and Major Packer sent to Gloucestershire to appease the business touching planting tobacco; Major-Gen. Lambert and Gen. Desborow to give them instructions.

4. A draft of an Ordinance prepared by counsel by his Highness' command, touching the receipt of the Exchequer, read and committed to the Committee that brought in the former Ordinance thereon.

5. An Ordinance of explanation touching the repayment of moneys deposited with or unduly received by the Guildhall Treasurers, without amendments, received, read, and to be presented to his Highness.

6. Amendments to the Ordinance for quieting scandalous and ignorant ministers and schoolmasters read, and the debate adjourned till to-morrow. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 375, 376.]

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1. **30.** The Admiralty Committee to order forthwith the speedy fitting of 17 ships and 2 fireships named, and their furnishing with victuals of all sorts to go to sea.

2. Also to provide for 3,000 men for 8 months to be put on board these ships, over and above the men who man them.* [1 *page.*]

June 19. **31.** Petition of Col. Hugh Bethell, high sheriff of co. York, for the year ending Michaelmas, 1653, to the Protector. Begs renewal of the Act of 15 Feb. 1648–9, granting sheriffs allowance of the expenses incurred in passing their accounts in the Exchequer. They are allowed their disbursements at assizes and sessions, and several orders of the Revenue Committee allow these expenses; but since the power of that Committee expired, the allowance has been refused, and thus all the sheriffs of England are hindered in passing their accounts, which they must do this Trinity term, or their estates are liable to seizure. With reference thereon to Council, to give speedy order for their relief, but to take care there be no diminution of the public revenue, for which the sheriffs are to account. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

31. I. *Order in the Revenue Committee for allowance by Mr. Fauconberg, Collins, and Wilson of all ordinary disbursements of sheriffs.* 10 *May* 1648. [1 *page.*]

31. II. *Like order that Thos. Shadwell, instead of Auditor Collins, with Mr. Wilson, the Committee's solicitor, cast up the sheriffs' charges in passing accounts, and the notes of receipt thereof, and certify them to Thos. Fauconberg, Receiver-General, that he may deduct them from their payments,* 19 *May* 1653. [1 *page.*]

June 19. Order in Council on the above petition, that Receiver-General Thos. Fauconberg, Thos. Shadwell, auditor, and Rob. Wilson, solicitor to the late Revenue Committee, be authorised to cast up the charges of the sheriffs of the several counties of England and Wales, for passing their respective accounts in the Exchequer, and the notes of receipt under the hands of the officers, according to the Act for more easy passing the said accounts; and what sums then appear to have been paid by the respective sheriffs for charges of passing their accounts, as also all such ordinary disbursements as they find according to the ancient allowance of the Exchequer, shall be paid or deducted out of such moneys as they pay the Receiver-General, who is hereby authorised to make payment or deduction. Approved 22 June. [*I.* 75, *p.* 377.]

June 19. **32.** Petition of Col. Rob. Venables to the Protector. I have been 5 years in service in Ireland under you without seeing my native soil, and thus have suffered much in my small fortunes; I have debentures for my arrears of 3,000*l.* on Irish lands, for plant-

* These entries do not occur in the Council Order Book.—ED.

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ing of which I have had overtures from several in England; I beg that they may be speedily set forth, according to the rates in the Act, in Kildare or Catherlough, or in church lands, as near as may be to Cheshire, where I have relations and interest. With reference thereon to Council, 24 May 1654. [1 *sheet.*]

June 19. Reference thereon by Council to Lambert, Sydenham, Wolsley, Strickland, Mackworth, and Rous, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 379.]

June 19. **33.** Petition of Geo. Smyth, gent., to Council, for a pass for himself, servant, and one horse to go to France and return. [½ *page.*]

June 19. Order thereon that the pass be denied. [*I.* 75, *p.* 381.]

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1. An Ordinance appointing justices of assize for co. Lancaster read, and agreed to.

3. Order on petition of Ed. Eluines, alderman of Worcester, that an Ordinance be prepared that 600*l.* be raised out of the estates of such delinquents in co. Worcester as assisted the late King of Scots in the engagement at Worcester, and be paid to the said Eluines. Mackworth to bring in the same.

5. Order on his Highness' pleasure being signified, that the Earl of Mulgrave be admitted one of his Council.

6. Counsel to attend Lord Chief Justice Rolle, that they may confer on the best way to execute the Commission of Oyer and Terminer for trial of Don Pantaleon de Saa, and the rest concerned in the business at the New exchange.

7. Order on Ambassador Whitelock's letter of May 20, 1654, Stockholm, certifying that on his departure thence he was forced to take up 1,523*l.* for his expenses, which he made payable to John Carlton, merchant, that the Customs' Commissioners pay 1,523*l.* to Whitelock's agent. Approved 22 June.

8. The Ordinance for ejecting scandalous ministers to be proceeded with to-morrow.

10. The petition of Lord Broghill and Col. Chidley Coote, in behalf of such as faithfully adhered to the commonwealth in Ireland before June 1649, whether now in the army, disbanded, or cashiered for any misdemeanor not rendering them incapable of receiving their arrears, referred to Lambert, Sydenham, Fiennes, and Wolsley, to report.

11. The draft of an order presented on Lieut.-Col. Worsley's desire, concerning the office of clerk of the peace for the co. palatine of Lancaster, referred to Desborow, Wolsley, Skippon, and Rous, to report.

13. The report from Justices Atkins and Hales on the difference between Lord Herbert and Mr. Batchelor to be debated next Wednesday morning.

17. A pass for Lady Lake and her servant to go beyond sea, moved and denied.

18. 11 warrants for payment out of the Council's contingencies to the officers at Whitehall, and others, signed.

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19. Mr. Strickland to learn his Highness' pleasure concerning the officers about Whitehall, that Council may proceed in reference to their future employment and warrants.

21. **34.** The Admiralty Commissioners to certify to what time Commissary Dobbins was employed in shipping provisions for Scotland and Ireland.

22. Approval by the Protector of 4 orders of 13 June. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 377–383.]

June 19.
London.

Levant Company to Rich. Lawrence [agent at Constantinople]. Yours of 10 Feb., 15 and 17 March, and 5 and 20 April, show Sir Thos. Bendish's refusal to introduce you into your agency, and his taking upon him the office of ambassador, against which, on behalf of the Commonwealth and this company, you have protested. This occasions us to second a former petition to his Highness to approve Rich. Salway as ambassador, to be sent speedily away. Meantime spend not our money in contending with Bendish, but let him answer his opposition when he comes home. We will order the Smyrna treasurer to supply you as agreed. We approve your choice of a new treasurer, if you are received into your agency; if not, we desire to be eased of that charge. [*Levant papers, vol.* 4, *p.* 225.]

June 20.

COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The following Commissioners appointed for several services, viz.:

Mackworth Wolsley Strickland	for the law.
Fiennes Lawrence Pickering Cooper	for treaties with foreign ministers.
Lambert Sydenham Jones	for safety and examinations.
Skippon Major Rous	for religion.
Desborow Sydenham Montague	for the treasuries.

[*I.* 75, *p.* 384.]

June 21.

Ordinance by the Protector and Council for bringing the revenues of the commonwealth into one Treasury, viz., the Exchequer at Westminster, in order to reduce the charges of multiplicity of treasuries, and after 24 June next, all payments to be made to the Exchequer by all commissioners, treasurers, trustees, or other officers, and moneys to be issued by warrant of persons to be appointed by his Highness' patent, who shall have moderate fees and all the privi-

leges of their place, but shall not receive gifts on pain of losing their places. All sums to be paid by warrant of the great or privy seal. The issuing of the money named in the 29th article of the Act of Government not to take place without consent of Parliament—or, in the intervals of Parliament,—of the Protector and the major part of his Council. Provided this do not extend to the revenues of Ireland, nor the possessions of the Protector or his successors. [*Printed Excise Coll., pp.* 136–140, *Vol.* 98, *Jan.* 1655.]

June 21. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on petition of Thos. Bendish and Thos. Dunne, on behalf of Great Yarmouth, that the town proceed in its election of burgesses according to the instrument called the Government of the commonwealth of England, Scotland, and Ireland.

2. An Ordinance for bringing the public revenues of the commonwealth into one treasury read, amended, passed by his Highness, and ordered to be printed and published.

3. Also an Ordinance appointing who shall be justice of assize for the county Palatine of Lancaster.

4. An Ordinance of explanation touching moneys unduly received by the Treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall passed. Also an Ordinance to empower the Sequestration Committee to proceed on an order of Parliament of June 16, 1649, touching divers engagers in co. York.

5, 6. Lord Chief Justice Rolle to go the western circuit, and Baron Pepys to go the Essex circuit, without incurring any penalties.

7, 8. The Commissioners appointed for the High Court of Justice who have not taken the oath directed to attend the Commissioners of the Great Seal at 3 p.m. at the Parliament Chamber, Middle Temple, to take the oath, or show cause to the contrary, and to meet to-morrow afternoon, to put in execution the powers committed to them. [*I.* 75, *p.* 387.]

June 22. **35.** Petition of Jas. Powell, of Bristol, to Council. The Council of State granted me 2 warrants to Leman and Blackwell, one of 25 June last, for 363*l.* 15*s.* the balance of an account for victualling and shipping Col. Clarke's regiment for Ireland, and Major Morgan's horses, and one of 22 July last for 32*l.* 19*s.* for freight of tent cloth; but before payment, the treasurers were changed. I petitioned Council, and on 17 Nov. obtained an order for new warrants for the money, but cannot get them, to my great prejudice. I beg an order for renewing the warrants. [1 *page.*]

June 22. Order thereon that Maj. Gen. Desborow, Col. Sydenham, and Col. Jones speak with Capt. Blackwell, consider how the State may be secured from double payments, and report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 388.]

[June 22.] **36.** Capt. John Clarke to Council. On 14 Nov. last, I wrote you that Lazarus Bramble, master of the Hercules, of the Isle of Wight, 250 tons, had sold the ship to the French at St. Malo. He denied it, but Geo. Michelot, a French merchant of St. Malo, confesses

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buying it of him for 13,500 livres tournois. The vessel has arrived here, with coals for St. Malo, and is not to be unladen elsewhere. Thus Bramble and Michelot combine to cheat the customs, Bramble fathering a vessel which belongs to foreigners.

Considering the cruel acting of the French at St. Malo toward the English, and Bramble's unworthy conduct in strengthening the hands of bitter enemies for his own private gain, I have stopped the ship in harbour for your order, which I beg may be speedy, that no damages may be claimed against me. Guernsey, 13 June. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

36. I. *Order by Bramble to Rich. Cock to load the Hercules with coal, drawing therefor* 80*l. from John Proctor of Newcastle, and sail to the Isle of Wight for further orders. London,* 7 *March* 1653–4. [*Copy, scrap.*]

36. II. *Order by Bramble and Michelot to Rich. Cock, master of the Hercules, to go to Newcastle, take in a lading of coals, and thence go to St. Malo. London,* 21 *March* 1653–4. *Also*

Certificate by Geo. Dawson, collector, and Geo. Blakiston, clerk of the check at Newcastle, that Cock has laden 112 *chaldron of coals in the Hercules, and has put in security not to transport it beyond seas.* 26 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

June 22. Reference thereon in Council to the Customs' Commissioners, to examine witnesses and report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 389.]

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4. All future licenses for transporting horses beyond sea to name some port where they shall be shipped.

7. An Ordinance for the distribution of the elections in Scotland read and agreed, with some additions, and to be presented to his Highness.

10. The form of writs of election for Scotland read and committed to the Scotch Committee, and Sec. Thurloe desired to assist therein.

12. Order that Jos. Rigby—giving security to the clerks of Council to answer the profits of the office of clerk of the peace for the co. Palatine of Lancaster to Beatrice and Alice Rigby, in case the right of office shall be determined to belong to them—be discharged of his commitment, and admitted to execute the place as formerly, till determination be made.

14. Sydenham, Desborow, Mackworth, and Jones to learn the proceedings of Sam. Osborne and Mr. Goslynn, in execution of powers committed to them about goods at Alderney, and to report.

15. Wolsley, Jones, Major, and Sydenham to consider the Governor of Windsor Castle's letter concerning the bargemen, and to report.

17. Lambert to move his Highness about passing the Ordinance for settling a course to bring in money for the expenses of his family.

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19. The Commissioners for Accounts and Public Debts to speedily report the matter touching discoveries made by Henry Lord Herbert of a personal estate of Henry Earl of Worcester, and alleged to be concealed in the hands of Elizabeth Viscountess Montague, and to transmit all the proofs and proceedings referring thereto.

20. Order, on report from the Committee on Wm. Blaxton's petition, that an Ordinance be prepared for making him capable of enjoying any estate that shall descend to him from his father or friends, if it be not under sequestration.

21. Council to meet at 8 a.m. to-morrow to consider business touching Ireland.

23. Declaration in explanation of an order of April 3, 1654, that Ed. Rolt and Wm. Thompson be added to the gentlemen of the life guard above the number formerly entered, and that beside the pay of the cornet ordered to be transferred to them, viz., 9*s.* a day, 6*d.* a day each be added, to make their pay equal to the rest of the lifeguard, that is 5*s.* a day. The Army Commissioners to issue warrants accordingly.

24. Approval by the Protector of 14 orders, 8–19 June.

25. Thos. Fauconberg to pay to John Bradshaw, serjeant-at-law, the arrears due to him as chief justice of Chester, justice of cos. Montgomery, Denbigh, and Flint, and Chancellor of the Duchy, any restraint notwithstanding. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 387–390.]

June 22. **37.** Warrant by the Commissioners for inspecting the Treasuries to the Treasurers at War, to pay 6,016*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.* to Rich. Hutchinson, to be issued on warrants of the Admiralty Commissioners. Receipted 23 June. [1½ *pp.*]

June 22. Tiger frigate. **38.** Confession of John Baldock, made before Go. Sands and 4 others, that 3 years since he served in the John privateer, under Capt. Jno. Shapman, of East Cowes, Isle of Wight, and putting into Guernsey with some prizes, he went on shore with Wm. Gibson; after drinking very hard, they met an English soldier, whom Gibson stabbed, and deponent consented by washing his hands in the blood; and after they had robbed him of 3*s.* 6*d.* they threw him into a ditch. Has lost sight of Gibson, who lives at Fowey; but is so haunted or troubled with the ghost or appearance of the soldier, that he can get no rest until he has publicly confessed. [1¼ *pages.*]

June 23. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Commission of Oyer and Terminer issued for trial of the Portuguese and others concerned in the business of the New Exchange to be renewed, and a Commission of Gaol Delivery directed to the same Commissioners, and bearing the same date, for trial of the aforesaid. The Commissioners of the Great Seal to prepare and pass the same.

2. The articles of peace between his Highness and the King of Portugal read, and approved.

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3. An additional article to be inserted into the treaty, referring the difference concerning the merchants of the commonwealth to Commissioners on both parts; and if they cannot end it, to the umpirage of such members of Council as his Highness shall name, according to the offer of the Ambassador.

4. The draft of a letter from his Highness to the Emperor of Russia, to be carried by Mr. Prideaux, as his Highness' agent, presented by Cooper, read, and approved.

7. The draft of an Ordinance against unlicensed and scandalous books and pamphlets, and for better regulation of printing; also a petition of the Master, Wardens, and Assistants of the Company of Stationers of London, referred to Fiennes, Rous, Jones, Wolsley, and Mackworth, to report.

8. The report of the difference between Sir Wm. Farmer and Mr. Willoughby to be considered next Monday.

9. The Army Commissioners to issue warrants to the War Treasurers, out of the money for pay of the forces in Scotland, to send 30,000*l.* for Leith, by such ships as Col. Clarke shall name.

10. 58*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* a year augmentation granted to the Minister of Frodingham, co. Lincoln, from the rectories of Fimberton, Mumby, and Bradney.

11. The Ordinance for an assessment upon Scotland, reported by Lambert as amended by the Committee, read, and passed by his Highness and Council.

12. An Ordinance for giving further time for approbation of public preachers passed, and to be printed and published.

13. The High Court of Justice to try, and proceed against John Gerard, Peter Vowell, and Somerset Fox, prisoners in the Tower.

14. The Ordnance officers to deliver 180 muskets, 100 pikes, and 400 bandoleers for the 4 companies of Maj.-Gen. Lambert's regiment at Yarmouth and Boston; also 10 drums and 4 halberds for the drummers and serjeants.

15. Jos. Drake, keeper of the stores at Hull, to deliver 140 muskets, 100 pikes, and 400 bandoleers, for the use of the 6 companies of the said regiment quartered at Hull.

19. 4 orders for payment of money signed. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 391–393.]

[June 26.] **39.** Petition of Armiger Warner to the Protector. Last July my ship and men were pressed at Limerick by the Commissioners in Ireland, to carry 600 tories into Spain, by which I, my wife, and 6 children are undone; for those wicked tories abused my men, ran my ship on to a rock, which split her to pieces, robbed her of all her goods, even the seamen's clothes, and went ashore and sold them. My loss is about 1,600*l.*, and I was bound in 1,000*l.* that my ship should carry servants to Virginia for merchants of this city, who threaten to sue me on my bond. I beg reference to a Committee, having ever served faithfully. With reference thereon to Council, who are to indemnify him if sued for non-performance of articles, 29 March 1654. [1⅓ *pp.*].

40. Copy of the said reference. [½ *page.*]

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June 26. **41.** Reference thereon by Council to Fiennes, Cooper, Sydenham, and Major, to report. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 394.] *Annexing,*

41. I. *Detailed account by Warner of the whole proceedings relating to the impress of his ship, estimating his losses thereby at* 4,208*l., besides an employment of* 200*l. a year, which he forsook to go over to Ireland to prevent his ship's being taken, but was detained by winds till it was gone.* [$1\frac{3}{4}$ *pp.*]

41. II. *Report by Fiennes and Major on the case, stating that Warner's losses are* 1,600*l., and that he is in danger of suit by John Jeffryes for not performing his voyage to Virginia.* [*Draft* 3 *pp. See* 29 *June* 1655.]

June 26. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Ordinance for ejecting scandalous ministers debated in Council, the amendments being severally put to the question, and then agreed, and presented to his Highness.

4. Order on report on the difference between Sir Wm. Farmer and John Willoughby, that Willoughby be committed to the Tower.

5. An Ordinance to be prepared for naturalising Joachim Hane, born in Frankfort-upon-Oder, under the dominion of the Elector of Brandenburg.

6, 7. An Ordinance for distribution of elections in Scotland, approved, passed, and to be printed and published.

8. An Ordinance to settle 100*l.* a year in land on Joachim Hane and his heirs—being raised to 120*l.*, and the rent reserved 5*l.*,—passed.

9, 10. An Ordinance of explanation touching donations in Scotland by vote or order of Parliament, or by their authority, read and referred to Fiennes, Sydenham, Jones, and Strickland, and on their reporting it without amendment, agreed to. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 394, 395.]

[June 27.] **42.** Petition of Geo. Ralegh to the Protector, for reference of his case to Council, that he may receive the same justice as others in like case. Being in Oxford garrison, and having, by Lord Say's direction, done good service for the public, had Lord Fairfax's certificate that he should have the benefit of those articles, and fled for his life into the Parliament quarters. Applied to the Commissioners for articles, but they could not relieve him because he was not present at the surrender, as appears in the cases of Major Clerk, Sir Hen. Ford, and others. Then applied to the Committee for petitions, who ordered his case to be reported to the House, but Parliament was dissolved. With reference thereon to Council, 10 May 1654. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

43. I. *Petition of Geo. Ralegh to Parliament, for the same favour as granted to Sir Wm. Fleetwood and others, to have the benefit of Oxford articles, though not there at the surrender. Was forced to depart from the garrison for his good affec-*

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tion to Parliament, being twice tried by a council of war for agitating service for Parliament, and had his goods plundered by the King's party. Left on certificate from Fairfax, signed and sealed, that he should have the benefit of the articles, and has long since compounded and paid his fine. Signed by himself and Rich. Lucy. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

43. II. *Certificate of Fairfax alluded to* 31 *July* 1647. [½ *page.*]

43. III. *Order in Parliament that Sir Wm. Fleetwood, Sir Edw. Sydenham, John Carey, Adrian May, and Wm. Stidolf be admitted to compound on Oxford articles.* 18 *June* 1649. [⅔ *page.*]

43. IV. *Order in the Committee for petitions that Ireton report Ralegh's case to the House, as by his endeavours,* 9 *of the King's officers laid down their arms, for which reason Fairfax granted him the benefit of Oxford articles.* 1 *Dec.* 1653. [⅔ *page.*]

43. V. *Copy of Nos.* **43,** II. *and* IV., *and reasons why Ralegh should have the benefit of the articles :—*

1. *His having to fly for his life for serving the Parliament.*
2. *Lord Fairfax's request.*
3. *The precedents of Stidolf, Carew, and others, who were absent at the rendition, but* 3 *years afterwards, by favour of Parliament, obtained the benefit of the articles. With note that an order will not be sufficient unless it be an Ordinance.* [1 *page.*]

June 27. Order thereon in Council that he have the full benefit of Oxford articles. [*I.* 75, *p.* 397.]

[June 27.] **44.** Proposed order in Council that, as it appears by certificates from Lord Fairfax and the late Commander-General Ireton, that Hen. Clerke of Enford, co. Wilts, and Geo. Ralegh, of Farnborough, co. Warwick, were by engagement to have the benefit of the Oxford articles, they have it as fully as though present at the surrender; the Commissioners on articles of war, and all others concerned to give them relief accordingly. [*Draft,* 1 *page.*]

June 27. Order on report accordingly that Clerke have the full benefit of Oxford articles. [*I.* 78, *p.* 397.] *Annexing,*

45. I. *Report alluded to, of the Committee on Clerke's petition (see* 25 *April* 1654), *referring the case to counsel.* [*Draft,* 1 *page.*]

[June 27.] **46.** Petition of John Clarke to the Protector. Lent and lost 6,770*l.* for his good affection to the State, and had 2 orders in Parliament for 2 debts of Sir John Stepney and Wm. Gwynn to the Earl of Worcester, discovered 6 years ago by him to the Haberdashers'

Hall Committee, but Stepney lately agreed with the Drury House Trustees for sale of the lands engaged for the debt, and they have been purchased as the Earl of Worcester's lands for 3,231*l.* 0*s.* 8*d.*, so that the money was paid into Drury House. Has spent 400*l.* in the prosecution of the debt, and received only 50*l.* Begs payment from the purchase money paid into Drury House. With order thereon that, as the value of his discoveries exceeds the Public faith moneys due to him, the Revenue Committee take care for speedy payment to him of his Public faith money. 5 April 1654. [1 *page. See Composition Tables,* 17 *Janury* 1654.]

[June 27.] **47.** Report thereon by the Revenue Committee that there is due to Clarke on Public faith 2,581*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.*, of which he has only received 302*l.* 7*s.*, balance due, 2,279*l.* 1*s.* 10*d.* That he discovered to the late Committee for Advance of Money 2,000*l.*, owing by Sir John Stepney to the Earl of Worcester, on lands sold for above 3,000*l.* That 2,000*l.* should be charged on Drury House, and the remainder of the debt paid as his Highness thinks fit. 28 April 1654. Endorsed with reference to Council, to give speedy order for payment, on account of the extremity of the case, 1 May 1654. [1½ *page.*]

June 27. Order in Council referring the petition and report to Cols. Sydenham and Mackworth, Mr. Major and Strickland, and Major-Gen Lambert, to report. [*I.* 78, *p.* 398.]

June 27. Whitehall. **48.** Petition of Col. Sir John Borlase to the Protector. Is constrained by his condition to beg some of the money assigned him for the expense of his journey to Ireland, there to serve the public. Begs speedy dispatch and a supply on the arrears of his pension, granted when he was disbanded, and 4 years unpaid, that he may go to Ireland and find some support, and not be detained in a perishing condition, after spending his youth, and the rest of his family's broken fortune in faithful service. With reference thereon to Council, 17 May 1654. [⅔ *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

48. I. *Relation of the case and desires of Sir John Borlase, late a colonel in the service, to similar effect. Served from the beginning of the rebellion in Ireland. Was disbanded on the arrival of the army from England. Commanding the old foot regiment at the defeat of Lord Ormond, near Dublin, had a pension assigned him to be paid in Dublin. His father, who was lord justiciary in Ireland, sold their estate to pay his expenses, and left him engaged in great sums, so that by suits and long imprisonment, he has exhausted all he or his friends could raise.* [1 *page.*]

48. II. *Similar statement to the same effect.* [1 *page.*]

June 27. Whitehall. **49.** Order in Council referring the said petition to Sir Chas. Wolsley, Sir Ant. Ash. Cooper, Col. Mackworth, Col. Fiennes, Major-Gen. Skippon, and Mr. Rous, to consider and report. [½ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 399.]

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June 27. **50.** Petition of 9 gentlemen of the name of Scott, tutors to Lady Mary Scott, heir to the late Earl of Buccleugh, to the Protector. By the Act of pardon, a fine of 15,000*l.* is set on their pupil of 6 years old. Her father, who only lived 25 years, was active for the furtherance of the Gospel and good of the people, and averse to the malignant interests carried on in 1648. He was no further in the late troubles than as sitting in the Committee of Estates, and that so seldom that he was suspected of want of cordiality. The condition of the estate is such that the whole is in danger of confiscation by the said Act, unless you extend your favour to the minor. Noted as delivered by his Highness to the Lord President, 26 June. [1 *page.*]

June 27. Reference thereon in Council to the Committee for Scotland, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 399.]

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2. The Customs' Commissioners to pay the money in arrear to any of the judges mentioned in the Ordinance for payment of judges' salaries out of the receipt of customs, the late Ordinance for bringing the public revenue of this commonwealth into the Treasury notwithstanding.

3. Order—on a certificate from the Attorney-General that John Phelps has executed a deed of sale to the Protector of Hampton Court at 760*l.*, and that he and his wife have acknowledged a fine—that the Treasury Commissioners certify from what treasury the 760*l.* may be soonest paid. *Annexing,*

51. I. *Certificate of the Attorney General alluded to,* 19 *June* 1654. [½ *page.*]

51. II. III. *Notes of the particulars of the above estate, and valuations, one at* 750*l. and the other at* 1,016*l.* [2 *papers.*]

4. Wm. Ryley to deliver by inventory to Geo. Smith, one of the Commissioners for Administration of Justice in Scotland, all writings and records brought here from Scotland concerning private men's interests remaining in his custody at the Tower, that Smith may send them to Scotland. Approved 22 July.

8. The petition of John Grace referred to Sydenham, Cooper, Lambert, Wolsley, Jones, and Mackworth, to report.

9. That of Sarah, late wife of Saml. Clarke, merchant of Exeter, referred to Rous, Desborow, Major, Skippon, Mackworth, and Sydenham, to report.

11. That of Nicholas Devereux to Fiennes, Wolsley, Cooper, Strickland, and Mackworth, to report.

12. That of Col. Rich. Fortescue to Cooper, Wolsley, Rous, Strickland, and Mackworth, to report.

13. That of Thos. Baker, of Swinney, co. Suffolk, and Eliza, his wife, executors of Col. Roger Fenwick, referred to Cooper, Wolsley, Lambert, and Mackworth, to report the fact, and if they see cause, to bring in an Ordinance to empower the Commissioners of Ireland to allow the arrears petitioned for out of lands in Ireland.

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June 27. 15. Fiennes, Wolsley, Mackworth, and Cooper to consider the most convenient way for collections in case of losses by fire, and report.

16. Order on petition of Wm. Lowe, Wm. Voyle, and Geo. Primrose, ministers of Hereford, that Sam. Smith, a godly, orthodox, painful, and peaceable minister, be admitted (in place of Richard Delamain) as one of the preachers appointed by Ordinance of Parliament, March 28, 1646, to preach in Hereford Minster and the adjacent county, and that he receive the allowance belonging thereto. All concerned to take notice hereof. Approved 29 June.

19. **52.** Order on Major Skippon's report in the case of William and Mary Denny—that Mary, of her own accord, delivered provisions, &c., value 720*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* for Parliament's forces in co. Pembroke, for which she had the Public faith from the county committee, 30 April 1645;—that the said sum be paid from discoveries which they shall make, or others on their behalf, they delivering up the Public faith bills on payment. Approved 22 July. *Annexing,*

52. I. *Report alluded to.* [⅔ *page.*]

20. Next Friday appointed to consider the report from the Committee on the petition of the late King's creditors and servants.

22. John Digby to attend Council to-morrow afternoon.

23. Order on report on the petition of Wm. Davenant, prisoner in the Tower, that—as it appears that on exchange between the petitioner and Capt. Clarke, proposed and agreed on by Col. Bingham and the Governor of Cornet Castle, Guernsey, Clarke was discharged, and the faith and honour of Col. Bingham and the army is concerned in the mutual discharge of the petitioner,—his restraint as concerns any matter of State be taken off, and he set at liberty, and a warrant be issued to the Lieutenant of the Tower, and a pardon prepared. Approved 22 July. *Annexing,*

53. *Report alluded to.* [⅔ *page.*]

25. An Ordinance for distribution of the elections in Scotland, with the form of the writ of election, passed.

28. The petition of John Leech, a treasurer at Goldsmiths' Hall, referred to Mackworth, Cooper, Pickering, and Wolsley, to report. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 395–401.]

June 27. Whitehall. Council to Col. John Barkstead, Lieutenant of the Tower. Forasmuch as John Willoughby, of Grindon, co. Northampton, sent a challenge to Sir Wm. Farmer, baronet, of the same county (which is a most unchristian practice, and not to go unpunished), and has also spread libellous and scandalous papers to asperse the said Sir William, who has in their differences demeaned himself as a man of honour;—these are to will and require you to keep Mr. Willoughby in custody in the Tower, until he acknowledge under his hand that he is sorry for his offence committed against the public peace and the person of Sir William, and give sufficient security for his good behaviour. [*I.* 75, *p.* 400.]

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[June 27.] List of private bonds for payment of moneys belonging to persons in Scotland, which were in 8 bundles, marked A. to H., 100 in each bundle. The latter part of the list of bundle B. has several leaves torn out, and E. is incomplete. With index prefixed. Probably an inventory of the private records commanded to be returned to Scotland by an order of Council of 27 June 1654. [*I.* 134.]

June ? **54.** Petition of Thos. Bludworth, Jas. Burton, and Rich. Spencer, merchants of London, freighters of the Providence of Boston, and Thos. Ridley, master, to the Protector, for some compensation for their ship and cargo, worth 700*l.*, lost through being run into and sunk by the carelessness of Capt. Peter Foote of the Briar frigate, 13 March 1653–4, while under his convoy from Hull to St. Valery's. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

June ? **55.** Petition of Thos. Ridley, master and owner of the Providence of Boston, co. Lincoln, to the Admiralty Committee, for relief, or he and his wife and family will be ruined. Sends an order made after a full council of war on his former petition. Noted that the whole loss is 700*l.* and his share 300*l.* [1 *page.*]

55. I. *Order at a council of war, held by Vice-Adm. Lawson on board the Sovereign, that there was neglect in the convoyer in not issuing orders for putting out lights to advertise the fleet, as is usual when coming by the lee, and that as there was no fault or neglect on the part of those in the Providence, the owners are entitled to full satisfaction for their loss.* 27 *June* 1654. [1 *page.*]

June 28. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The words in the 2nd and 3rd lines of the warrant of June 26, 1654, for payment of 1,523*l.* to Lord Whitelock, viz. (of the 19th of this instant June), to be struck out.

4. Divers inhabitants of Southwark attending at the door were called in, and presented a petition complaining of an undue election of burgesses in Southwark, which was read.

9. The supernumeraries raised and added to the following regiments to be continued till further order, and the Army Committee to issue warrants for their payment.

His Highness' regiment, from	700 to	1,200
Col. Ingoldsby's - -	700	1,000
Col. Goffe's - -	700	1,000
Maj.-Gen. Lambert's -	700	1,200

10. Jones and Thurloe to speak with counsel to-morrow about managing the evidence against the persons to be tried by the High court of justice.

11. The petition of Lord Willoughby of Parham referred to Cooper, Fiennes, Strickland, and Wolsley, to report.

12. Order on report on the petition of Jas. Powell, that fresh warrants be issued [*see* 22 *June*] in lieu of those granted by the late

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Council of State, for payment of 32*l.* 19*s.* and 363*l.* 15*s.* *Annexing,*

56. I. *Report alluded to, stating that neither of the sums has been paid, and that there is money in the contingencies set apart for such charges.* [¾ *page.*]

13. The petition of the inhabitants of Clement Danes, Savoy, Covent Garden, Martin's-in-the-Fields, Giles'-in-the-Fields, and the parishes adjoining, referred to Lambert, Jones, and Cooper, to report.

14. John Digby to stand committed to the serjeant-at-arms till his proceedings in reference to Sir Wm. Farmer be examined.

15. Sydenham added to the Committee on Sir Wm. Farmer's business. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 401–403.]

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Navy Office.

57. Navy Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. We are very sensible of the great hazard in the over-hasty dispatch of ships at Chatham, of which you write; but matters there being left to Mr. Pett, who is more expert than we are, we did not think any defects would have been found at Chatham. We purposely omitted sending orders to inferior officers, not only to prevent the discovery of our design, but to maintain a good correspondence with our associate, Mr. Pett, who would have thought it disrespect if others had been joined in the trust with him. We have again pressed for a thorough and complete fitting of all the ships there; the Adam and Eve is one of them, and we wished the captain to acquaint you with her condition, that we might receive your directions, not knowing what interpretation would be put on our remanding her to Chatham or elsewhere, for further repairs. [1 *page.*]

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58. Petition of Ralph Mason, minister of Great and Little Driffield, East Riding of co. York, to the Protector or Council. I had an augmentation of 12*l.* a year granted by the Committee for Plundered Ministers, 12 Aug. 1646, out of 62*l.* rent reserved to the precentor of York Cathedral, from the profits of the rectory, my living been only 20 marks a year, though I have 2 churches to serve twice every Sunday; but it has ceased through want of review of the order by the Universities' Committee. I beg a competence from the 62*l.* and the arrears of the 12*l.* since 1649. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

58. I. *Order of the Committee for Plundered Ministers alluded to, granting the* 12*l.* *to Mason, there being* 200 *families and the living worth but* 16*l.*, *the* 50*l.* *a year granted to Warter church being first paid.* 12 *Aug.* 1646. [¾ *page.*]

58. II. *Certificate by Rob. Johnson and* 4 *others in favour of Mason's good affection and life, and diligence in his calling.* 22 *May* 1654. *Also like certificate by Durand Hobham, his neighbour* 5 *or* 6 *years.* [1 *page.*]

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June 29. Order thereon for grant of the 12*l.* with arrears, by the Trustees for maintenance of Ministers, on testimonial from the Commissioners for approbation of preachers. [*I.* 75, *p.* 405.]

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2. The petition of the well-affected of the parish of Graveley-cum-Chisfield, co. Herts, referred to John Read, Isaac Puller, Gravelie Norton, and Major Packer, justices of peace for the county, to examine those concerned, and reconcile the difference if possible, or else to report.

4. The letter of Sir Arthur Loftus of June 24, 1654, referred to Strickland and Pickering, to send for such persons as they think fit, examine, and report.

5. The ordnance officers to deliver out of their stores to Wolsley, for his Highness' regiment of foot, 1 barrel of powder, and 300 firelocks with bandoleers, to supply the like quantity of arms sent with the 300 soldiers ordered to sea out of that regiment.

6. An Ordinance against challenges and duels, and all provocations thereunto, re-read, amended, agreed, passed, and to be printed and published.

15. An Ordinance authorising the Commissioners for Inspection of Treasuries to issue warrants for moneys for the navy's service 3 times read, and passed.

16. An Ordinance to continue the Army Committee and War Treasurers read, amended, and to be printed and published.

19. The Customs' Commissioners authorised to pay the Navy Treasurer 6,694*l.* 7*s.* 5*d.*, for which he has a warrant of June 22, 1654, from the Commissioners for inspecting Treasuries, the Ordinance for bringing the revenues into one Treasury notwithstanding.

20. The Excise Commissioners authorised to pay the Treasurers for the Savoy and Ely House the moneys assigned for sick and wounded soldiers' or sailors' widows and orphans, the said late Ordinance notwithstanding.

23. Col. Wm. Goffe and Lieut.-Col. Chas. Worsley to take security on behalf of the Irish papists taken in the last general search, and still remaining in custody with no special charge against them, that they will leave England within 14 days. Also to take security of all other persons similarly situated to attend Council on notice to be sent them or their securities, and thereupon to order their release.

24. Desborow and Lambert to move his Highness about the little park at Windsor, and report whether the contract for its purchase shall be proceeded with.

25. The petition of Ellen, wife of Matthias Valentine, personally recommended by his Highness, referred to Pickering, Strickland, and Jones, to report.

26. Two money warrants signed; also an Ordinance of 27 June approved by the Protector. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 403–406.]

June 29. **59, 60.** Ordinance by the Protector in Council, as there is great want of money for supplying the navy, that the Commissioners for

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inspecting the Treasuries, appointed 31 Dec. 1653, continue until further order to issue their warrants to the several treasurers for payments to the Navy Treasurer. [2 *copies.*]

June 29. Whitehall. Council to Gen. Monck, commander-in-chief of the forces in Scotland, or in his absence to the Commissioners for administration of Justice. You shall receive herewith the writs for election in Scotland, and the forms of indentures between the sheriffs and the electors, which you are to have delivered according to the directions of the writs.

Enclosed is a copy of the "Government of the Commonwealth of England, Scotland, and Ireland," which is to be read at the proclaiming of the writs. [*I.* 75, *p.* 404.]

June 29. Whitehall. Pres. Lawrence to the Commander-in-chief of Chester Castle. The Council are informed that Lord Carnegie entered into a bond before you on May 30, 1654, to appear before them at his coming up, which he accordingly did, and as no cause appears for continuing his bond, they have ordered that it be delivered up to him to be cancelled, which you are to do accordingly. [*I.* 75, *p.* 405.]

June 29. Chatham. **61.** Commissioner Peter Pett to the Admiralty Committee. Details of ships. I am sorry to hear you complain of the work being imperfectly done at Chatham; we were never so accused before, nor did any ship stay one hour for any work we had to do after, she arrived in the Hope. It is true we have sent away ships not quite finished, but only to save the wind, and not to put the State to 6 times more charge in getting in their provisions here, where their own men will not be commanded, as was lately the case in the Adam and Eve and others; but the heat of our business being over with the spring tides, we have sent a few hands to perfect the work. As to sheathing ships, much of this would have been prevented had I known the designs in hand. We have been over careful in fitting the ships, particularly those for foreign service, and I have been up 6 or 7 nights out of 8, to forward the work. Let us know your resolves early, and nothing shall be omitted for their dispatch. [1⅓ *pages.*]

June 29. Chatham. **62.** Commissioner Peter Pett to the Navy Commissioners. We are guilty if it is neglect to leave a little work to be done in the Hope, when we could not spare men without losing the next spring tide. If you will but give us breathing time, we will save you the labour of sending down men to dispatch our business; the non-sheathing of the Convertine was the fault of the master shipwright. If you had been an eye-witness to what was done last week, the complaints of men for their own ends would not have been so easily listened to. Let us do first what is of most concern. [1 *page.*]

June 29. Chatham. **63.** Capt. Jno. Taylor to the Navy Commissioners. I hope you have had an account from Commissioner Pett of the works done to several ships, and of the dispatch made, wherein there has not been

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wanting all diligence, both in the shipwrights and seamen, on the pressing orders of the Admiralty Committee to hasten the fleet into the Hope. There was a report when these ships came in that some of them must go to the Straits, but we had no orders to sheathe any ships for such a voyage. I spoke with Gen. Blake about it, and the ships ordered to be sheathed are done; the others will last 8 or 10 months.

If ships are to be fitted out for an unknown design, warrants or directions ought to be given accordingly. All that have been sent out are safe and firm for some voyage, though they might not be for some other. If the voyage is not to be known, nor the master consulted with, I wish a survey might be ordered. Nothing has been left in the ships sent to the Hope but what we have sent men to do; we have 100 men there now. Other ships have come in, but I shall not meddle with them without written orders. We want masts; and if you expect us to do our work, your purveyors must not fail us as formerly. As Commissioner Pett will attend you tomorrow, a light may be set up to direct us all, and especially myself, as I am in the dark. [1¾ *pages.*]

June 29. **64.** Petition of Capt. Robert Swanley and the owners of the Henry Bonadventure to the Admiralty Committee, to order the Navy Commissioners to make out a bill of imprest to them for 931*l.*; the said Commissioners on examination of their account bring in only that sum as due, to their great prejudice, their ship being lost after remarkable service, and Chas. Longland having paid them only 4,000 dollars. With reference thereon to the Navy Commissioners. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

64. I. *Order in the Admiralty Committee that a bill of imprest be made out to Capt. Swanley for* 965*l.* 10*s.*, *upon his giving security to pay his company their wages thereout, and to be responsible for what he received of Charles Longland at Leghorn.* 9 *May* 1654. [*Copy,* ¾ *page.*]

64. II. *Certificate by Capt. Rich. Badiley that the owners of the Henry Bonadventure only received* 4,000 *dollars from Longland.* 19 *June* 1654. [½ *page.*]

June 30. **65.** Petition of divers poor people in and near Winchcombe, co. Gloucester, to the Protector. Providence having promoted you to this great trust, we address you. In April 1652, an Act was issued prohibiting the planting of English tobacco, to which, on petition, a favourable exposition was given, and thus many were saved from perishing. In Sept. 1653, another Act passed allowing quiet enjoyment of the tobacco planted that year, on payment of excise. Trusting to this clemency, we planted a small quantity this year, but by virtue of an Ordinance empowering Commissioners to execute the Act against its planting, we are like to be deprived of it. We acknowledge the rashness of those who assembled to defend their tobacco, but beg toleration for this year's crop. In future we

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will not plant without license, though it has been our trade for 40 years. 110 signatures. [1 *sheet.*]

June 30. Order thereon, that as they have acknowledged their errors, the Commissioners be authorised to suspend execution of the Act as to the crop now growing at or near Winchcombe till further order, and suffer the petitioners to enjoy it. [*I.* 75, *p.* 409.]

June 30. **66.** Petition of Wm. Coney of Lincoln to the Protector and Council. Declares that though he has resided some years at Utrecht, he has neither seen nor corresponded with Charles Stuart or his party. He comes over intending to live peaceably, and is willing to give any security required therefor. [1 *page.*]

June 30. Note that it was read in Council. [*I.* 75, *p.* 410.]

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1. An Ordinance for the better discovery of any concealment of anything due to his Highness and the Commonwealth, and for encouragement of discoverers, read twice.

2. The whole business of discoveries referred to Jones, Wolsley, Mackworth, Skippon and Lambert, to consult with counsel and report.

3. Edmund Earl of Mulgrave, approved to be a member of Council, subscribed the usual counsellor's oath in presence of his Highness and Council, and took his place.

4. Order on the reading of an Ordinance for relief of the creditors and servants of the late King, that the former Committee consider which of his goods were reserved for the State, and what part thereof has been delivered; what particulars the petitioners claim; whether any part thereof has been borrowed or employed for the State or the navy; and how the late trustees for their sale may be best brought to account. Lambert, Sydenham, Jones, and Strickland added to the Committee, who are to report.

5. The business of Jersey to be considered next Wednesday.

6. Also that touching Lord Herbert and Mr. Batchelor.

7. The Ordinance for settling the the post office to be considered next Thursday, and the Lord President to remind Council.

8. An Ordinance to empower the Customs' Commissioners and others for the better suppression of drunkenness and profane swearing in those under their employ read, passed, and to be printed and published.

9. Order on report on the petition of Francis Lord Willougby of Parham, that the Committee speak with those concerned in the plantation moved for by the petitioner, and report further.

10. The report on the petition of Wm. Paul, son and executor of Anth. Paul, late farmer of prizage wines under a rent of 500*l.* a year, agreed with, and the petitioner, who is the present farmer, allowed to enjoy the prizage wines without payment of duty. The Customs' Commissioners to take notice.

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11. Order on further petition of Rich. Glide and Col. Lawrence Bromfield, that they distribute the 600*l.* ordered them 9 May last to the poor of cos. Surrey, Cambridge, Middlesex, and Northampton, who lent money on the propositions of 1642, and who, by former instructions given, have a title to part thereof, in such proportions as they find equal, having respect to the proportions formerly paid by them to the several counties. Approved 22 July. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 408, 409.]

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Navy Office.

67. Navy Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. The clamours of multitudes of people with tickets causes us to remind you that it was formerly resolved that all sick men should have their tickets paid by the deputy treasurer when put on shore, and that no tickets should be made out by captains. There are, however, many tickets under the name of sick men that we fear are not so, and others counterfeited, so that it is judged necessary to charge the captains strongly not to deliver any upon any pretence whatever, but to let such as are really sick and disabled be paid on board. Also the pilots' bills should be paid out of the contingent money on the General's ship, as it is a trouble to the pilots and expense to the State for them to come up to receive it, and they demand more for their Journey. [1 *page.*]

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68. Petition of Capt. Rich. Hodges of the Basing to the Admiralty Committee. Last September I was ordered by Vice-Admiral Lawson to convoy the Bordeaux fleet there and back, and had 4 months' provisions, but we were detained 28 days by wind before we could sail, and were detained there 2 months by winds and hard frosts, so that I had to borrow money of English merchants there to victual 110 men for 49 days, which is not yet repaid, to their great prejudice and my damage, as my accounts are ready. I beg a warrant to the victualling Commissioners for the money. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

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69. Petition of Roger Carlisle, gunmaker, to the Admiral Committee, for a warrant for payment of 742*l.* 19*s.* for service and 46*l.* 12*s.* expenses due for two years, for fetching old arms from divers places and repairing them, and delivering them to the Tower stores. Had several warrants from the late Council of State therefor. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

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70. Like petition to Col. Kelsey, Admiralty Commissioner. Delivered in 2,400 repaired muskets from several garrisons, and has never been paid. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

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71. Like petition to Col. Clarke, Admiralty Commissioner. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

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72. Like petition to the Admiralty Committee, for an order for examination of witnesses on a debate before them between him and John Silke. [1 *page.*]

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June? **73.** John Silke to the Navy Commissioners. In 1649 we were summoned to the Ordnance Committee to make good a charge against Roger Carlisle and Wm. Gardner; the case was referred to the Ordnance officers in the Tower; there were many hearings, and they have presented divers papers to you. If you will grant us a warrant, we will bring further evidence to make plain their deceits. With addresses of 5 witnesses. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

June? **74.** Answer by Roger Carlisle to an information against him by John Silke (missing).

1. Did deliver old arms finished as good as new, to complete a contract in time, but afterwards supplied new instead.

2. Intended to do it, but was prevented.

3. Did not receive in 1650 from a garrison in Essex 135 muskets. There were but 132, of which he had half and Wm. Gardner half, and none were fixed.

4. Did not deliver old muskets for new to the stores at Botolph's Wharf on his own account, but lent John Silke 20, which he passed for new, and some to Hen. Harris and Thos. Middleton, which were not passed, but the Ordnance officers on notice sent for them.

5. Has never cut off the breech ends of any but unserviceable muskets.

6. Has not bought old barrels for them, but has bought 2,000 new barrels in 4 years. [$1\frac{1}{2}$ *pages.*]

June? **75.** Note of new guns bought of 5 persons named by Carlisle and Gardner. [1 *page.*]

June? **76.** Note of 5 persons from whom Carlisle has bought new guns within the last 4 or 5 years. [1 *page.*]

June? **77.** Note of defective arms received by Gardner at Edinburgh and Leith. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

June? **78.** Account by Carlisle of arms received by him from sundry garrisons, and of his expenses in fetching them; 93 days, at 5*s.* a day, 23*l.* 5*s.* [$2\frac{2}{3}$ *pp.*]

June? **79.** Account by Carlisle and Gardner of old arms received by them, by warrants from the Council of State, and from the Protector. [$1\frac{1}{3}$ *pp.*]

[June.] **80.** Note of a bill in the Common Pleas, 26 May 1654, of John Fisher against Rich. Deacon, clothworker of London, for a debt of 100*l.*, borrowed by him on 10 April 1651 from Mary Row, of Cheap parish, to be paid to Fisher when required, but which, though often required, he refuses to pay, to the damage of 40*l.* The debt being allowed by Deacon, he is ordered to pay it, with 30*s.* damages. Endorsed, with notes of fees, &c. [5 *sheets.*]

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June. Account by John Lisle, one of the Commissioners of the Great Seal, of the proceedings in the High Court of Justice, of which he was chosen president, at the trial of John Gerard, or Garrett, Peter Vowell, and Somerset Fox.

A messenger brought me the Ordinance constituting the said Court, dated 13 June 1654, to Chelsea, and the first meeting of the Commissioners appointed was that day, at the Middle Temple. Those present were "myself Judge Atkins, Judge Aske, Judge Nicolas, Mr. "Serjeant Steele, Recorder of London, and about 10 more, about 16 "of us that day. There was also Sir Thos. Witherington there "present, who was impowered, being one of the Commissioners "of the Great Seal by the ordinance, to give an oath to each Com-"missioner nominated by virtue of the ordinance. Sir Thos. "Witherington caused the ordinance to be read, and speaking first "to Judge Atkins, asked whether he were ready to take the oath "which he said he was ready to give to those who were ready to "take it. Judge Atkins said it was a matter of great weight and "concernment, that the ordinance came but very lately to his "knowledge, and desired time to consider of it before he took the "oath. Judge Aske and Judge Nicolas said that indeed it was a "matter of great concernment, and if others desired time they "should desire time likewise. Recorder Steele said that which was "moved was reasonable. Thereupon, seeing we were likely to "depart all of us at present, and do nothing, I said, viz., 'That "'which we were empowered to put in execution, by virtue of the "'ordinance of the 13 of June 1654, was the ordinance declaring "'what offences shall be adjudged high treason, which ordinance "'passed in January last, so that ordinance is no new thing to us, "'and my lords the judges, especially, are no strangers to it. The "'last ordinance doth chiefly empower us to put that ordinance in "'execution, and we are to take an oath well and truly to do it, "'according to the best of our skill; so that unless any scruple "'the ordinance declaring what offences shall be high treason, and "'the manner of putting it in execution, I do not see any scruple "'in it; and therefore having considered of the first ordinance, "'which passed in June last, and having had the last ordinance by "'me and considered of it above 2 days, I am ready to take it.' "Thereupon I took the oath, and after me, Judge Aske and "Judge Nicolas and Serj. Steele, Recorder of London, with "about 8 more; but Mr. Justice Atkins went away, after he had "spoken as aforesaid, before anyone took his oath; but we that "were then sworn, not being full 13, which was the *quorum* by "the ordinance, could not this day choose our President, or any "of the officers for the High Court of Justice." [*Pages* 1–3.]

At the next meeting, 2 days later, "Mr. Justice Atkins he did "appear again the said day, and gave for his reason to the Lord "Commissioner Witherington and myself why he could not take

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" this oath, viz., that he had already taken several oaths as a serjeant " and as a judge to do nothing contrary to the laws of England; " 'the oath that we are to take by the ordinance seems to be con- " 'trary to the other oaths I have taken; by the law, no man indicted " 'for treason but ought to be tried by a jury; by this ordinance it " 'is otherwise; and therefore this oath seeming contrary to the " 'other oaths I have taken, I desire they may be given in as my " 'reason why I desire to be excused.'" [*Page* 4.]

Sir Thos. Witherington, as Commissioner of the Great Seal, gave the oaths to those who had not taken them before, and we proceeded to the choice of our officers and servants, and their salaries. I was chosen president, though I remonstrated, as not having had experience in such trials.

The Attorney-General not being ready, we adjourned 4 days more, and then met first in the Painted Chamber, Westminster, and then in Westminster Hall (Justice Aske being prevented attending by illness), and after several adjournments, the trial began.

" The hall was very full of people. After the Court was set, I " required the Lieutenant of the Tower to send for his prisoners. " After they were brought to the bar, I demanded of Mr. Attorney- " General what he had to say against those prisoners. He said he " had an impeachment of high treason against them, and desired it " may be read. Thereupon, by the direction of the Court, I required " the clerk to take it and to read it.

" Mr. Vowell, the prisoner, he began to speak. I said to him, he " should be heard in his time; the impeachment must first be read. " After the impeachment was read, the clerk demanded first of " Somerset Fox what he said to the impeachment of high treason, " guilty, or not guilty? He said he could not confess the indict- " ment, but said his examination was taken, and what was in his " examination he would confess. I told him he ought to plead " positively to the indictment, and if he pleaded to the matter of " fact, must plead guilty or not guilty.

" After Somerset Fox, John Garrett was arraigned, and the " clerk demanded of him what he said to his indictment of high " treason; guilty, or not guilty? He said, not guilty.

" Then Mr. Vowell was arraigned, and demanded in like manner " by the clerk, guilty or not guilty? He urged several things to " the Court, viz. (1.), that he had not sufficient notice of the time " for his trial, could not speak with any, nor have use of pen " or paper. I said that the Lieutenant of the Tower had 3 days' " notice of it from the Court, and was required to give them notice of " it, at which the Lieutenant of the Tower said he gave them present " notice of it. (2.) He desired counsel to plead. I said that he " could not have counsel unless he offered some particular matter " pleadable by counsel, as yet he offered none. Then (3), he " desired to be tried by a jury. I said his judges were almost the " number of 2 juries, and we were all his peers; that by the " ordinance upon which he was to be tried, a jury was not requisite, " If he demanded anything of the Court which they could allow " him in justice, they would allow it him.

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"Then (4.) he said that the offences we had in the impeachment "were only offences made so by a new law just published, that it "is treason to compass death to the Protector. "Mr. Serjeant Glynn "answered that to kill the supreme magistrate was treason to the "common law of England.

(5.) "He did object that the Protector in his Government had "taken an oath to observe the laws of England, and by the laws "of England by Magna Carta, he ought to be tried by a jury. "Solr. 'The Protector swears to the Government, and in all other "'things to observe the laws of England. Now by the Government, "'the Protector and the Council hath a power to make a law which "'shall be binding until order to be taken in Parliament, touching "'the welfare of the nation, and this highly concerneth the peace of "'the nation.'

"Then (6.) he did object that the power the Protector and the "Council had by the Government was but a temporary power to "make laws until Parliament took further order, and by such a "temporary law, he ought not to be questioned for his life, for if "he should die by this law, how could his life be restored if "Parliament should reverse their ordinance?

"To that the Solicitor-General answered, viz., that the same "objection is to be made against any law, for no law is in force "but till Parliament take further order, for any Act of Parliament "may be repealed by Parliament.

"Then I urged him to plead, and told him the penalty of the "law in case he refused to plead; that by the law, in cases of high "treason, he that refuses to plead doth confess the guilt, in the "judgment of the law, and therefore it would be as penal to him "as if he confessed it or were found not guilty.

Then he pleaded not guilty.

"After he had pleaded also not guilty, the Attorney General "began to open and state the evidence against them, and was very "long in it; the sum of the evidence you will have in that speech "I made to them before judgment was read and pronounced against "them." [*Pages* 9–12.]

After examination of the witnesses, the prisoners were dismissed. The Court adjourned into the Painted Chamber, where they chose a Committee to prepare the form of a judgment, and to advise with the State's counsel about it, and directed Mr. Phelps, who had taken in shorthand all the evidence, to write it out that the Court might hear all read over to them before they delivered their opinion, and adjourned the Court for 3 days. They ordered the lieutenant of the Tower to admit the prisoners to have pen, ink, and paper, and to see their friends in his presence.

When the Court met again, the clerk read over the notes he had taken of the examinations.

"Then I began, and opened the proofs, first in relation to John "Gerard, and delared my opinion that he was guilty of endeavour-"ing to raise forces against the Protector, and the present govern-"ment, and for compassing of the death of the Protector.

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"As soon as I had ended, Judge Nicolas and Serjeant Steele " declared their opinions to the same effect, and after that, these 2 " questions were put upon John Gerard, viz.: (1.) Whether John " Gerard be guilty of plotting, contriving, and endeavouring to stir " up and raise forces against the Lord Protector and the present " government, and for the subversion and alteration of the same, and " hath declared his endeavour by open deed. (2.) Whether John " Gerard be guilty of the treason within the charge for compassing " and imagining the death of the Lord Protector by practising and " endeavouring to kill and destroy him since the 19th of January " 1653–4, and before the charge exhibited. The question passed in the affirmative.

"Both the questions were put also as to Somerset Fox, and both " passed in the affirmative.

"The first of the questions only were put upon Peter Vowell, and " it passed in the affirmative.

"Resolved that Somerset Fox, John Gerard, and Peter Vowell " have judgment of death by hanging only." [*Pages* 14–16.]

The Attorney General and the rest of the State's counsel were requested to draw up the judgment and sentence, and the Lieutenant of the Tower to have the prisoners at Westminster to attend the Court the 2nd day from this day, to which day the Court adjourned.

They then met in the Painted Chamber, read over the judgment, passed it, and adjourned into Westminster Hall.

"As soon as the Court was sat, I said, 'Mr. Gerard, Mr. Fox, " 'Mr. Somerset, you have been indicted for high treason. To this " 'indictment you have severally pleaded not guilty. The Court, " 'upon clear and manifest proofs, have found you severally guilty " 'of high treason. Mr. Vowell, you offered then some objections to " 'the Court, but the Court hath overruled them, and I am com- " 'manded to ask you what you can say further for yourselves, why " 'judgment should not be given against you.'

"Then I directed the clerk to demand it of them severally, and " after the clerk had demanded it of Mr. Gerard, he said he had " nothing to say, but desired he may die the death of a soldier, and " denied that he was guilty.

"Mr. Fox he offered a petition for the Commissioners to intercede " for his pardon. Vowell he repeated over what he had said before, " and spoke something to the people to raise them to sedition. To " that I said, 'It is well discerned what your end is by this seditious " 'discourse of yours, but (although I am very unwilling to inter- " 'rupt you in anything, because you speak for your life), I must and " 'am commanded by the Court to interrupt you if you have " 'nothing else to say, for you add sedition to your treason.'

"Before that the judgments were severally read and pro " nounced against them by the clerk, I spoke to the prisoners a " the bar to this effect, viz.: 'Before judgment be pronounced agains " 'you, I shall, as well as tears will give me leave, speak a fe " 'words to you. And I hope when you see others with bowels " 'compassion so sensible of the greatness and horror of your guil " 'this will make your hearts to bleed likewise, and I pray Go

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June. " ' your grief may be a summons to repentance. After a long war,
" ' so lately ended, the Lord was pleased to give this nation a happy
" ' and blessed peace, and not only peace at home and among ourselves,
" ' but peace with our neighbour nations likewise, with the Low
" ' Countries, Denmark, Swedeland, with almost all the considerable
" ' Protestant interests in Christendom. Our happiness is not only
" ' in peace at home, and in this league and union with the Pro-
" ' testant interest abroad, but a Parliament is likewise summoned,
" ' now near approaching, for improving all this, and for settling
" ' whatever may be thought fit for the further good and happiness
" ' of the 3 nations. The treasons that you are guilty of (if God
" ' had not prevented you) would have proved a most bloody
" ' assassination to all these.

" ' The Lord knows I do not delight to insult over your miseries,
" ' but hold it my duty to lay before you the blackness of your
" ' guilt, as it is clearly proved, that you may lay yourselves before
" ' God in sorrow and repentance, that the Lord may be merciful to
" ' your souls.

" ' That there was a design to cut off, assassinate, and murder the
" ' Lord Protector with some of his Council, to seize upon the
" ' guards, and in this confusion, to proclaim Charles Stuart to be
" ' King, is proved by all the witnesses.

" ' The beginning of this horrid and wicked design, the progress
" ' of it, and all the circumstances with relation to the manner of
" ' putting it in execution, this is likewise clearly proved before us,
" ' which shows the extraordinary providence that did attend it,
" ' and the great vigilancy of those that that were God's instruments
" ' in the discovery.

" ' This design was a hatching the beginning of Lent last, for
" ' Major Henshaw then told his brother Wiseman there was a
" ' design, but he should hear more of it after his return from
" ' France. Major Henshaw then goeth over into France, then
" ' communicates it to Charles Stuart and Prince Rupert, and
" ' Prince Rupert, he said, encouraged him in it.

" ' Then Major Henshaw speeds into England, and not long
" ' after, Mr. John Garrett (who had met together in France (*sic*))
" ' comes out of France into England. Upon the return of Mr. John
" ' Garrett out of France, Major Henshaw comes to his lodgings.

" ' Your several meetings afterwards, the names, places, and
" ' persons you met with, to consider how this should be put in
" ' execution, this is proved at large in the depositions. At length
" ' it is resolved to put it in execution in this manner, viz., Major
" ' Henshaw saith that he had listed 7 or 800 men, and had engaged
" ' 2 or 3,000 of the city. That Col. Deane had listed 200, and
" ' Billingsley had listed 300 men. The Protector he is to be cut
" ' off and assassinated, as he was to go to Hampton Court, and Mr.
" ' John Garrett was to do this work with 30 horse. Col. Deane he
" ' was to command one part of the listed men, and with them he
" ' was to seize the guards at St. James's. Col. Finch and Major
" ' Henshaw, they were to command 2 other parts of them.
" ' Mr. John Garrett he with another party was to seize on

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" 'Whitehall and the Council, and in the midst of this confusion,
" 'Col. Finch with his party was to seize on the Lord Mayor of
" 'London, and to enforce him to proclaim Charles Stuart to be
" 'King.

" 'I do more particularly open and observe this part of the
" 'evidence that we may all behold in what an extraordinary
" 'manner the providence of God did attend this work of darkness
" 'for the manifestation of it.

" 'Mr. Fox, you have confessed your guilt, and your remorse and
" 'ingenuity therein doth difference you from your accomplices. It
" 'is true upon your arraignment you pleaded not guilty, but in
" 'your examination taken before you came to the Court, you con-
" 'fessed your guilt, and your examination being read in Court to
" 'you, you confessed all contained in your examination to be true.
" 'You have confessed your compassing the death of the Lord Pro-
" 'tector, and what you did for the subversion of the present govern-
" 'ment, and for bringing in Charles Stuart to be king. And besides
" 'it is proved by 2 witnesses against you, viz., Charles Gerard and
" 'Will. Dodd, that the design was communicated to you at Black-
" 'friars, and that you did then endeavour to engage some in it.

" 'I shall not put you in hopes of life, because you ought to
" 'prepare for death, for your offence is of the highest nature, and
" 'judgment will be given against you; only this I may say to you,
" 'and I hope you will find comfort in it, either in life or death,
" 'He that confesseth his offences and forsakes them will be sure
" 'to find mercy.'

" 'Mr. Gerard, is it not clearly proved against you that you are
" 'guilty of compassing the death of the Lord Protector, and also of
" 'endeavouring to raise forces against the Protector and the present
" 'government? Mr. Wiseman proves it against you that you
" 'undertook to cut off the Protector as he went to Hampton Court
" 'with 30 horse; that you undertook to persuade 25 of them for
" 'this purpose, and Major Henshaw the rest, and that you said you
" 'would dispatch him with your own pistol, which would discharge
" '3 times, one after another. Was it not proved against you, by
" 'your own brother, that you encouraged Major Henshaw to go on
" 'with the design, assuring him that it would be very acceptable to
" 'Charles Stuart? This your own brother proves. Was it not
" 'also proved that a party of the listed men were assigned for you
" 'to seize on Whitehall and the Council, and did not you say that
" 'your party should take an oath of secresy?

" 'And what did you say to this proof against you? It is true
" 'you still denied it, and said it was false what they testified
" 'against you. Did not your own brother testify it against you?
" 'Were there not 3 witnesses that clearly proved it, and could
" 'you except to any one of them? It is true you did except to
" 'Mr. Wiseman, because you said he was party to the guilt; did
" 'not your exception make his testimony the stronger against you,
" 'for how could he clearly discover you, unless he had been a party
" 'with you?

" 'You asked where was the money to do all this? If you and

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" 'your accomplices could have made confusion in the nation, by your
" 'murders and assassinations,—for the Protector was to have been
" 'murdered and assassinated, Major-Gen. Lambert, and some others
" 'of the Council were to have been murdered,—if Charles Stuart
" 'could have been proclaimed King in the midst of this confusion,
" 'would you not have thought that the moneys and the treasures
" 'of the nation should have carried on this your wicked and
" 'bloody design?

" 'If God hath discovered you, and the matter of the past be so
" 'clearly proved against you, if He hath brought you unto judg-
" 'ment, and the hour of your death be near approaching, what if
" 'you are so desperate that you care not for your body, yet add not
" 'sin to your rebellion by denying and persisting in it, lest you
" 'murder your own soul.

" 'And Mr. Vowell, there were 3 witnesses that fully proved this
" 'treason against you. And what did you say to this proof against
" 'you? You said little or nothing to the proof, but I will truly
" 'repeat what you said. 1°. You said that there were treasons only
" 'made so by a new law never proclaimed, and you ought not to be
" 'indicted for such offences. It was proved against you that you
" 'endeavoured to compass the death of the Lord Protector, the
" 'supreme magistrate of this nation. To compass the death of the
" 'supreme magistrate of this nation, whether called by the name of
" 'King, Queen, or what name soever, is treason by the common law
" 'of England, and not only declared so by a late law, but by the
" 'statute of 25 Edw. III., and by several laws made since.

" 'You further said for yourself that the Lord Protector had taken
" 'an oath to observe all the laws of the land, and this trial was not
" 'according to Magna Carta, or the laws of the land. Solr. The
" 'words of the Lord Protector's oath are, viz., that he will not
" 'infringe the matters or things contained in the government, and
" 'in all other things, govern these nations according to the laws,
" 'statutes, and customs. By the 30th article of the Government,
" 'it is expressly provided that the Lord Protector, with the consent
" 'of his Council, until the meeting of the next Parliament, may
" 'make laws and ordinances for the peace and welfare of this
" 'nation. And doth not the punishing of such offences highly con-
" 'cern the welfare and peace of this nation?

" 'And you did further object, viz., that your life ought not to be
" 'taken away by any law made by virtue of the 30th article in the
" 'Government, for the laws made by virtue thereof were but tem-
" 'porary laws, and only to be binding and in force until order shall
" 'be taken in Parliament concerning the same. The same objection
" 'may be made against all the laws of England, for in that sense,
" 'they are all but temporary laws, and are to continue no longer
" 'but until they are repealed by Parliament, and until order shall
" 'be taken in Parliament concerning them.

" 'And as for the objection you made against our authority, it
" 'was not an objection as if the indictment was not pursuant to
" 'our authority or commission, but it was an objection against the
" 'authority of the nation, and that is not to be disputed.

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" 'And now let me speak to you all, and I hope God will speak
" 'to your hearts likewise, that even you, as well as the nation, may
" 'see the providence of His mercy in this discovery; that He hath
" 'restrained the violence of your hands, and not suffered you to
" 'be bloody executioners of this horrible wickedness which your
" 'hearts intended.

" 'The peace which England enjoys, by God's blessing, after so
" 'long a war, instead of this happy peace, nothing but war and
" 'confusion, nothing but blood and desolation, if God had not
" 'restrained the execution of your treason. The league and union
" 'which this nation hath with the Protestant interest abroad, would
" 'not that have been stabbed to the heart likewise?

" 'The Parliament was near approaching, and never the like Par-
" 'liament heard of for the interest of England, a Parliament for
" 'England, Scotland, and Ireland, fine (?) Parliament, and in this
" 'our hopes of ever having the like Parliament, had not this been
" 'destroyed likewise, if God had not prevented you?

" 'And his Highness the Lord Protector, who dwelleth in the secret
" 'place of the Most High, and abideth under the shadow of the
" 'Almighty, whose life God hath protected both in peace and war,
" 'from the terror of the night, and from the arrow that flieth by
" 'day, for the honour, greatness, and happiness of these nations, his
" 'life and the nation's you would have taken away together, if God,
" 'in great mercy, had not prevented the execution of your most
" 'wicked and bloody design.

" 'I beseech God that all others may take example by your
" 'punishments, for which end let the judgment of the Court be
" 'read.'

" As soon as this was said, the several judgments were read by
" the clerk, and then I bid the Lieutenant [of the] Tower take care
" of his prisoners. The Court adjourned into the Painted Chamber,
" where we all signed the warrant for their execution. [*Pages* 17–28.]

" [*Small* 12*mo. bound volume, of* 27 *holograph written and*
" *numerous blank pages.*]"

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July 3. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. John Manley, master of the Post Office, to pay G. Frost for Council's contingencies the rent due to the State from him for 1 quarter.

2. The order of the late Council of State of July 15, 1653, for freeing the paper to be used in printing the Bible in learned languages from payment of all customs, confirmed; and Dr. Brune Ryves allowed to import free as much as, with what is already imported, makes up 7,000 reams. This to be a sufficient warrant to the Customs' Commissioners.

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3, 4. Order on Lambert's report from the Committee on the petition of John Ireton and John Humphreys,—that an Ordinance should be passed to the contractors for sale of Dean and Chapter's lands, to allow the petitioners 376*l.* by way of reprize on the purchase mentioned, and that on payment of the rest of the purchase money, the trustees should perfect the assurance,—that an Ordinance be advised accordingly.

5. To bring in an Ordinance to prohibit horse racing for 6 months.

6. The Commissioners of the Great Seal to issue a new writ for elections to the constable of Dover and the warden of the Cinque Ports, or his lieutenant, including Rye in the writ.

7. 1. Order on several reports from the Admiralty Commissioners, that they be authorised to direct the building of 4 second-rate ships at such places as they think best.

8. The following 6 ships to be authorised to go as a guard for the present Newfoundland fishery:—

The Essex -	- John Bourne
Nightingale -	- Capt. Wm. Kendall.
Paul - -	- Capt. Anth. Spackhurst.
Reserve - -	- Capt. Rob. Plumbey.
Gift - -	- Capt. Dickenson.
Midleburg -	- Capt. Wm. Godfrey.

9. The daily pay of the flag officers of the fleet to be as follows:—

	s.
Capt. Rich. Badiley, rear-admiral of the fleet which is to go to Gen. Blake's squadron - -	30
Capt. Joseph Jordan, rear-admiral - - -	20
Capt. Wm. Goodson, vice-admiral to Gen. Penn's squadron - - - - -	30
Capt. Geo. Deakins, rear-admiral - - -	20
Capt. John Bourne, commander of the Newfoundland squadron - - - - - -	20

A chief clerk attending each squadron of the generals, who is also to be deputy treasurer, to have, for himself and clerks (no fees to be taken), 200*l.* a year.

10. List of 25 ships, with their numbers of men and guns, and the names of their captains, approved for this summer's expedition.

11. Like list of 36 ships approved to be set to sea for the voyage designed them. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 410–413.]

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2. Warrant by the Commissioners for inspecting the treasuries to the Treasurers-at-war, to pay 14,597*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.* to Rich. Hutchinson, to be issued on warrants of the Admiralty Commissioners. Receipted 14 July. [1 *page, torn.*]

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3. J. Webster to his kinsman, Hen. Webster, at Edw. Webster's, Yarmouth. I am troubled to hear of your rebellion against his Majesty in raising a troop of horse and serving Parliament. I hear also you have been very officious in assisting Ab. Johnson, who has endeavoured to hinder other merchants, and to undo me. I also

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hear you have been promoting against me and other merchants here. If these things are not true, I will prosecute my intentions towards you, and the goods are more than you know of; but if they are true, you have lost your friend. [*Certified copy*, 1 *page*.]

July 4. **4.** Petition of the inhabitants of St. Mary Magdalen's, Bermondsey, Surrey, to the Protector. By order of the Lords in Parliament Thos. Paske, D.D., their parson, was sequestered, and Jer. Whittaker, a learned and orthodox divine, was appointed, and acted faithfully and honestly, but has lately died. Petitioners have met and unanimously elected his son Wm. Whittaker, whom they know to be pious, and fit for so great a congregation, and beg that he may be settled in his father's place. 78 signatures. [*Copy*, 1 *sheet*.] *Annexing*,

4. I. *Order of the Lords in Parliament for the sequestration of Paske, and appointment of Whittaker.* 16 *May* 1643. [1 *page*.]

July 4. Order in Council granting the request during the sequestration of the parsonage, and the profits to be paid to Whittaker's use. [*I.* 75, *p.* 414.]

July 4. **5.** Petition of Isaac Desborow, John Pooton, John Offley, and Rob. Ingram, late sequestrators of co. Hants, to the Protector and Council, for satisfaction for their pains in the service, and discharge of their accounts. In the times of greatest danger, hazarded their lives in the service when others refused it, for 4 years from 1642; gave in their accounts to the Sub-Committee for accounts in Oct. 1646, and to the Guildhall treasurers in Oct. 1649, but obtained no reward for their trouble and charges. [1 *page*.]

July 4. **6.** Reference thereon to Sir Chas. Wolsley, Mr. Strickland, Sir Gilb. Pickering, Col. Sydenham, and Gen. Desborow, to report. [½ *page*. *Also I.* 75, *p.* 415.]

July 4. **7.** Petition of John Digby to the Protector and Council. Being in restraint by your order, I cannot go down to treat with some people about the sale of land to pay my grandmother's debts, nor can I prepare for answering a suit at Aylesbury shortly, to which I am bound in 1,000*l*. I beg that the hearing at Aylesbury may be deferred, or I dismissed, on security for appearance when summoned. [1 *page*.]

July 4. Order for his dismissal from custody of the serjeant-at-arms to attend the trial at Aylesbury, on security. [*I.* 75, *p.* 415.]

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2. Rous and Mackworth to consider the disposal of impropriations which, on composition of delinquents, were reserved for the State, or for which they have allowance in their compositions. They are to send to the Commissioners at Goldsmiths' Hall for an account thereof, and to report.

3. The Ordinance prohibiting horse races passed, and to be printed and published. [*I.* 75, *p.* 414.]

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Pres. Lawrence to the chief officers of ports. For security of the public peace, his Highness and Council wish very great care and exactness to be used in searching all vessels coming in or going out, for discovery of suspicious persons; also a more than ordinary vigilance to be used as to all creeks and small outlets, where dangerous persons would probably apply. You are to use your uttermost diligence therein, and to apprehend and keep in safe custody till further order all against whom you have any ground of suspicion. With list of 34 ports to which the letter was sent. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 415–417.]

[July 6.] **8.** Petition of Mary Leslie, wife to Lord Montgomery, to the Protector, for an allowance for herself and 7 small children out of her husband's estate, as granted to others of like quality, whose estates have been forfeited by the Act of grace for Scotland. With reference thereon to Council, 24 June 1654. [1 *page.*]

July 6. Reference thereon by Council to the Committee for Scotland, who are to propose some way of providing for her as for others in like case. [*I.* 75, *p.* 418.]

July 6. **9.** Petition of John Embree, surveyor, to Council, for 1,200*l.* on account, being much indebted for materials and wages towards repair of Whitehall and Hampton Court, and his accounts not yet audited. [1 *page.*]

July 6. Reference thereon to the Treasury Commissioners, to report how it can be charged so as to be forthwith paid. [*I.* 175, *p.* 419.]

[July 6.] **10.** Report on the case of Jane Lady Gorges by a Committee of Council [*see* 15 *March* 1654]. On 20 April 1630, the King granted the 6*d.* writs for 41 years from 1647–8 to Sir Jas. Levingston, groom of the bed chamber. He assigned the grant to trustees for Lady Levingston, now Lady Gorges, on payment of 2,500*l.* It came by assignment to Lord Newburgh, and on his sequestration in 1650, on account of an intercepted letter, the profits were received for the State by the Clerk of the Hanaper. Lady Gorges claims under Lord Newburgh, but only produces a draft of the indenture. [2⅔ *pages.*] *Annexing,*

10. I. *Certificate of Lord Broghill, at request of Lady Gorges. In* 1647–8 *her son, Sir Jas. Levingston, asked me to be one of the trustees to whom the* 6*d. writs were assigned, to make certain provisions for the family; he and I having married* 2 *sisters, I assented, and the deeds were perfected. The other trustees were Hen. Howard, Lord Suffolk's brother, Dr. Edw. Rainbow, and Mr. Goodrick.* 5 *July* 1654. [1 *page.*]

[July 6.] **11.** Notes on the case by Sir Gilb. Pickering. [*Draft,* ¾ *page.*]

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12, 13. Order on the said report, presented by Pickering, that it be referred to the same Committee to consult with Serjeant Steel, Mr. Sadler, and Mr. Long, and report their opinions in point of law or equity. [⅔ *page,* 2 *copies; also I.* 75, *p.* 420.] *Annexing,*

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13. I. *Note from Wm. Jessop, clerk of the Council, to the said gentlemen, transmitting them the papers on the case.* 31 *July* 1854. [⅔ *page.*]

July 6. **14.** Petition of Walter Wood, late commander of the Centurion, to the Protector. Has served 5 years, but was discharged last September without reason assigned, though he lost his right hand in the service. Begs to know his accusers and to vindicate himself, or to be restored to his command. With reference thereon, 3 February 1653–4, to the Admiralty Committee. [1 *sheet.*]

July 6. **15.** Copy of the said petition. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

15. I. *Certificate by John Stoakes that Wood was shot in the hand by the Irish, in May* 1650, *in the bay of Galloway.* 7 *Jan.* 1653–4. [½ *page.*]

15. II. *Certificate by Vice-Admiral Penn that he lost the use of his hand thereby. Swiftsure, near Portsmouth,* 11 *March* 1653–4. [¾ *page.*]

15. III. *Report by the Admiralty Committee, that in respect of the said maim, he should be allowed* 100 *marks out of prize goods' money.* 24 May 1624. [½ *page.*]

July 6. Order in Council for payment of the 100 marks accordingly. [*I.* 75, *p.* 420.]

July 6. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal to issue writs for proclaiming an Ordinance against duels and challenges, and all provocation thereto, and an Ordinance prohibiting horse races for 6 months.

3. Order that Capt. Charles Howard be empowered to raise 40 dragoon horses, and mount them with foot soldiers out of the garrisons of Carlisle or Berwick, and to employ them with the other forces under him as he finds best; and that 250*l.* be allowed him for the said dragoons, to be repaid out of Council's contingencies, on a bill of exchange to be drawn on Frost.

4. The Army Committee to issue warrants to the War Treasurers to increase the pay of the 40 foot which Capt. Howard is to mount as dragoons, as long as they remain in that capacity.

7. **16.** Order on report from the Commissioners on the petition of John Tombes and others, concerning Katherine's Hospital, Ledbury, co. Hereford, that 2 several lists of fit persons for governing it be exhibited to Council, one by Mr. Tombes and one by the inhabitants of Ledbury, that Council may be able to select from the two; after return of the lists, the same Committee is to consider the best way to order the hospital, and prepare an Ordinance with the names inserted. *Annexing,*

16. I., II. *Report alluded to, embodying the substance of the report, &c. calendared* 12 *May* 1654. *With shorthand notes thereon.* [2 *papers,* 5 *pages.*]

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16. III. *Note of the objections of the trustees against Tombes for abuses in the management of the hospital.* [1 *page.*]

16. IV. *List of* 8 *persons, justices of the peace, and others, proposed by Tombes as governors of the hospital.* [1 *page.*]

16. V. *List by the inhabitants of Ledbury of proposed governors, viz., Hen. Page, their minister; Fras. Hall, Esq.; Rich. Coxe, clothier, and Chas. Hoskyns, Gent.* 9 *signatures.* 14 *July* 1654. [1 *page.*]

8, 9. Order on the petition to the Protector, referred by him to Council, of the President and Governors of the Corporation of the Poor in London, that 3 dogger boats lying at Scarborough and one at Hull be given to the said corporation, for fisheries for the use of the poor. The Prize Goods' Commissioners, or whoever have the boats, to order them to be delivered up, and see that they are used for no private purposes. The other matter in the petition, and the draft of an Ordinance annexed, referred to Skippon, Rous, and Major, to report.

10. Skippon, Rous, and Major to peruse all petitions depending before Council, and not formally referred, and report, that those fit may be proceeded upon, and the rest laid aside. Mondays in every week appointed to receive their reports.

12. Order on a letter from Col. Fenwick of June 30, 1654, concerning frequent meetings in the North, for a letter to Capt. Chas. Howard (*see below*), which was sent away by an express.

14. Mr. Abdy, lately committed to prison by the Court of Sessions for co. Bedford, to be delivered to a messenger to appear before Council. The justices of peace to transmit copies of his examination to Council.

17. The supernumeraries raising the regiments of his Highness, Cols. Ingoldsby and Goffe, and Maj.-Gen. Lambert, from 700 to 1,200 to be continued, and 4 serjeants, 1 corporal, 1 gunsmith, and 10 drummers, with a proportion of drums, to be added to 3 of them, as ordered 27 June last. The Army Commissioners to issue warrants to the War Treasurers to pay up the arrears to the supernumeraries from May 29, 1654, and continue payment in future.

18. 400 bandoleers to be inserted in the warrant of 23 June for arms for Lord Lambert's regiment. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 417–421.]

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Council to the Hon. Capt. Charles Howard. You will receive herewith a proclamation forbidding horse races and other like meetings, which you are to make public at all convenient places in the North. The proclamation is occasioned by intelligence from Berwick, the bishopric, and other places, of the assembling of many people and horses, especially of the disaffected, who, notwithstanding the late discovery made of their plans by God's grace, are not yet discouraged from their plottings. You are therefore to diligently prevent all meetings of Papists or disaffected, and are

authorised to secure any one you think necessary and to let us know. His Highness has ordered 1 or 2 troops of horse to march to assist you. You will also receive an order to raise 40 dragoons, whereon you may mount soldiers. [*I.* 75, *p.* 419*.]

July 6. **17.** Report of the Admiralty Judges to the Protector and Council, on a reference of 28 June 1654. We could not find the directions of the late Council of State, about June 1652, alluded to, so that we could not tell what Holland or Hamburg goods, alleged by the Portuguese ambassador to belong to Portuguese, are meant; but from the ambassador's papers to Sec. Thurloe, we find it is the sugars in the White Unicorn. We find thereon that the sub-Commissioners of Prize Goods at Plymouth exhibited in the Admiralty Court a certificate of merchants and grocers that the sugars were perishable, and a like certificate from themselves, but not subscribed by those joined in the Commission of Inspection on behalf of the claimers. Therefore the Admiralty Court issued a commission for examination, by which it appears that the said certificate was untrue, and got up without knowledge of the claimers, and that on 31 March 1654, the sugars were in good condition. [1 *page.*]

July 7. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order that—as divers of the nobility and gentry of Scotland, on whom fines were imposed by the Act of Grace for Scotland, have petitions thereon depending—if they pay in $\frac{1}{3}$ of their fines, the Judges and Commissioners of Sequestration in Scotland shall be authorised to hear what they have to plead for mitigation of the remainder. Mr. Scobel to prepare an Ordinance accordingly, and offer it to Council.

3. The Council to meet to-morrow at 7 a.m., to consider the business of Ireland.

4. Order on report from Viscount Lisle, that he and Col. Fiennes consider and offer to Council the form of a pass and declaration concerning contraband goods, pursuant to the 11th and 12th article of the Swedish treaty. Thurloe to be present.

5. The petition of Cornet Wentworth Day, concerning his service and loss in looking after the silver ships, referred to Sydenham, to speak with the Commissioners for Inspecting Treasuries, and report what may be done for his relief. [*I.* 75, *p.* 421.]

July 8. Whitehall. Pres. Lawrence to Sir Wm. Constable, high sheriff of co. York. Council have thought it necessary that Col. Rob. Montgomery, now as is supposed, in co. York, be secured in Hull, which you are to see done, and give a very strict charge for his safe keeping. [*I.* 75, *p.* 422.]

July 8. Whitehall. Pres. Lawrence to Dr. Seaman, Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge, Dr. Arrowsmith, and Dr. Tuckney. His Highness and Council have taken notice of some horrid blasphemous expressions charged on Alex. Ackhurst, Vice-President of Trinity College, Cambridge, to the

* Noted in margin "Old Noll's rules to put down interludes (?) of the 99, then to govern the 100th. J. C."—ED.

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dishonour of God and Scripture, and have thought fit to refer it to your examination. You are to examine witnesses, collect proofs, and report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 422.]

July 10. **18.** Order in the Admiralty Committee to set at liberty Rich. Thursby, prisoner in the Gatehouse by their order, he having given bail for his appearance. [$\frac{1}{3}$ *page.*] *Annexing,*

18. I. *Examinations of Roger Shipton and Thos. Howlett, mariners of the Elizabeth, before Chris. Myngs and* 3 *others. On* 31 *May* 1654, *at Luckstadt, Denmark, heard Rich. Thursby say that* 5,000 *of the King of Scots' old soldiers had entered the army, and nearly as many more the navy, to cut the throats of those that stood for the Protector and opposed them; that one named William Conningsby was now on board, and if they could have a convenient opportunity, they would see what they could do, for one blast was enough for all on board.* 30 *June* 1654. [1 *page.*]

18. II. *Like examination of Thos. Arnold and Wm. Swanson. Heard Thursby say that he and* 500 *more had entered the State's ships on purpose to blow them up, or destroy them; that he hoped soon to see the Protector's throat cut, and* 10,000 *more of the grandees; that he had* 3 *cousins on the ship, but only Wm. Conningsby was now on board.* 30 *June* 1654. [1 *page.*]

July 11. **19.** Petition of the bailiffs of Scarborough to Council. Having disbursed moneys for the fleet, the late Council of State ordered a warrant to the Prize Goods' Commissioners to repay them, but Council was dissolved and it was delayed. It being a long way to come and chargeable to attend for the moneys, beg confirmation of the order, that they may not be at further expense to obtain the 36*l.* 11*s.* [1 *page.*]

July 11. Order granting their request, the money to be paid forthwith. Approved 22 July. [*I.* 75, *p.* 423.]

July 11. **20.** Petitions of the inhabitants of Topsham, co. Devon, to the Protector. Our town and parish of 1,000 souls is the port of Exeter, and yet we have only 20 marks a year for the maintenance of a minister. This was assigned by the Dean and Chapter of Exeter to a reading priest, the canons sometimes preaching themselves, and payable by Wm. Brewton, who has all the tithes, value 140*l.* a year. The town has many poor, who live on a monthly rate, and has been much impoverished by the late wars, the inhabitants living by sea affairs, and too poor to raise a minister's livelihood.

As we have now chosen Thos. Ashford minister, we beg a competency for him, either by continuance of former augmentations or otherwise. 46 signatures. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

20. I. *Certificate by John Forward, minister of Ottery, Thos. Spratt of Fullerton, Pet. Beavis, and Rob. Collins,*

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that Ashford is pious and well gifted. 29 *May* 1654. [½ *page.*]

July 11. Order thereon in Council, that as the former minister had 50*l.* from the sheaf of Ashburton, Colmstock, and Topsham, as well as 30*l.* for a lecture, the 50*l.* be granted to Ashford by the Trustees for Ministers. Approved 22 July. [*I.* 75, *p.* 423.]

July 11. **21.** Petition of the inhabitants of Long Compton, co. Warwick, to the Protector, that Thos. Browne, of whose abilities and goodness they have had experience and testimony, may be settled as their minister; their vicarage, sequestered several years ago from Roger Jones, became void in April 1653, by removal of Wm. Burleigh, minister, to another place. 21 signatures, 2 being by mark. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

21. I. *Certificate by Rich. Langton, rector of Whitchford, John Goodwin, rector of Rowlewright Magna, and Wm. Burleigh, rector of Ducklington, in favour of Thos. Browne.* [⅔ *page.*]

July 11. Order in Council for his settlement, with arrears of the profits since he was called to dispense the word there. Approved 22 July. [*I.* 75, *p.* 424.]

July 11. **22.** Petition of the bailiffs, burgesses, &c., of Bridport, co. Dorset, to the Protector. The town has 2,000 houses, and the tithes are worth 40*l.* The Committee for Plundered Ministers added thereto those of Bradpole near, worth 80*l.*, sequestered from Maximilian Mohun, delinquent, but he having lately compounded, we are like to lose our minister for want of maintenance.

We are impoverished by the plunders and burdens of the late King's party, and for want of a free sea trade, on which our manufactures depend, and cannot afford a fit livelihood to our minister, who has a wife and 7 children. We beg an augmentation of 100*l.* a year, for which the tithes of Whitchurch, 4 miles distant, are let, and an order for payment to John Eaton, our minister, "an able dispenser of the gospel, and very precious." 15 signatures. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

22. I. *Note relative to the disposal of the Whitchurch tithes.* [¼ *page.*]

July 11. Order in Council that 80*l.* a year be paid to Mr. Eaton out of the overplus of the impropriate rectory of Whitchurch, co. Dorset (above the 60*l.* settled on the minister of Whitchurch); also of the rents and revenues not already disposed of which are issuing out of Whitchurch 15*l.*, out of Yetminster 16*l.*, and out of Preston and Sutton 9*l.* are to be paid him. The Trustees for Maintenance of Ministers to settle and order payment of the same. Approved 22 Jan. [*I.* 74, *p.* 424.]

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July 11. **23.** Petition of the inhabitants of Boynton, in the East Riding of co. York, to the Protector, for an addition of 30*l.* from Burton Agnes rectory to their minister, their vicarage being only worth 30*l.* a year. [1 *page.*]

July 11. Order in Council thereon that so much of the revenue of the said rectory as is undisposed of be settled on the minister of Boynton. Approved 22 Jan. [*I.* 75, *p.* 424.]

July 11. **24.** Petition of the inhabitants of Glasgow to the Protector. Major-Gen. Deane and others having seen their sad condition, by reason of their late fire, abated their assessment for maintenance of the army, but it is again imposed upon them, though they are quite destroyed in point of trade. Beg that it may be paid in to the Committee for distributing relief to the distressed people of Glasgow who suffered by fire. With note of the order desired. [½ *page.*]

July 11. Order thereon that the assessment be collected, but instead of being paid in to the treasurers for the army in Scotland, it be paid to the Committee for distribution as desired. [*I.* 75. *p.* 425.]

July 11. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on petition of the surveyors, clerks, and messengers under the Trustees for sale of delinquents' lands forfeited for treason, that according to his Highness' order of 19 May 1654, the Trustees issue warrants to their treasurers to pay in course, among the said surveyors &c., proportionable to the arrears of their salaries, 16,472*l.* 13*s.* and that the treasurers pay it accordingly, the late Ordinance for bringing the revenues into one treasury notwithstanding.

3. Order on Fiennes' report from the Committee on Sir John Borlase's petition, that 50*l.* be paid him for the charge of his journey to Ireland; the Irish Committee to report where it may be charged.

6. The examination and other papers concerning Mr. Abdy, who is brought up in custody, referred to Rous, Strickland, and Major, to report.

9. Order on Rous' report on Sam. Hartlib's petition, that those authorised to pay the augmentations to the University pay him 50*l.* due in arrear for last ½ year, towards 100*l.* granted as an augmentation to Pembroke College, Oxford, and transferred to his use, and that the payment be continued in future as it falls due. Also that John Leech and Rich. Sherwin, treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall, pay him at once the other 50*l.* in arrear out of the undervaluation of delinquents' estates. Approved 22 Jan.

10. Rous, Major, and Strickland to confer with Mr. Gillaspyn and other ministers come from Scotland, receive their papers and proposals, and report.

11. Order on petition of the fined persons in Scotland, that the Scotch lords and others now in London, fined by the Ordinance of pardon and grace for the people of Scotland, be heard in Council tomorrow morning as to why their fines should not be paid.

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13. Order that the treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall be required to pay John Bressey, treasurer for sick and maimed soldiers, the moneys assigned to be paid out of their treasuries for sick and wounded soldiers, seamen, their widows and orphans, in the way usual before the passing of the Ordinance to bring all revenues into one treasury, with all the arrears since June 24 1654.

14. The petition of Sir Sigismund Alexander, *alias* Zinzan, read, and ordered not to be committed. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 423–426.]

[July 12.] **25.** Petition of the inhabitants of Mansfield to the Protector. Our populous town has only 20*l.* a year for a minister, and being in the donation of the Dean of Lincoln, has been 5 years without a minister, "and the common enemy of mankind, taking occasion "thereby, hath poisoned the spirits of very many with that erroneous "spirit of quaking, whereby the interest of Satan hath increased "more and more in the said town." Now, not without some struggling on our part, providence has vouchsafed us John Firth, whose ministry has already done great good in the town. We beg that he may be settled as our minister. 21 signatures, copies. [1 *sheet.*]

[July 12.] **26.** Petition of the inhabitants of Mansfield, co. Notts, to the Protector. Ours is a populous market town, but the minister's living only 20*l.* the rectory being impropriate, and therefore it has been without a minister 5 years, to our great sadness, and we cannot procure a comfortable subsistence for John Firth, "a man of most "gracious qualifications and spiritual abilities," whom you have presented to the vicarage. We beg for him 24*l.* a year, the rent paid for the rectory, as ordered by the Committee for Plundered Ministers, 17 June 1646, and 50*l.* from Colston Bassett rectory, which was transferred out of the county to a minister in co. Leicester; also 20*l.* out of Ossington rectory. 21 signatures, copies, as in the preceding. With special reference to Council, as Firth has done singular service, and left a living of near 200*l.* a year from affection to the people, and the place allows him but 30*l.* 10 May 1654. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing.*

26. I. *Order of the Committee for Plundered Ministers alluded to,* 17 *June* 1646, [½ *page.*]

[July 12.] **27.** Copy of the above petition, and reference, without the signatures. [1¼ *pages.*]

July 12. Order in Council allowing Firth the said 3 sums, amounting to 94*l.* a year; the Trustees for maintenance of ministers to order payment. [*I.* 75, *p.* 428.]

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3. Col. Wm. Boswell, and Ralph Hall to call before them several persons who have attacked the goods and threatened to arrest the followers of the Portuguese ambassador, for goods bought by him

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when in London, hear their claims, enquire into the debts due to the ambassador, and why they are unpaid, endeavour such a conclusion as that the ambassador may have no dishonour or breach of privilege, and that the creditors may not be prejudiced, and report.

4. Several papers delivered by some of the nobility of Scotland, on their being heard by his Highness, referred to Lambert, Rous, Major, and Strickland, to offer what may be done touching those fined in Scotland.

8. The petition of the churchwardens and inhabitants of Putney, parish, co. Surrey for the poor, referred to Rous and Major, to consider how the money may be raised, and report. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 427, 428.]

July 12. Portsmouth.

28. Capt. Fras. Willoughby to Gen. Blake, Whitehall. Being solicited by Mr. Waldo, chaplain of the Samson, for discharge, and he producing your warrant, I made enquiries respecting him; he is very erroneous in his doctrines, denies the Resurrection, is loose in his life and conversation, and gives ill examples by playing at cards, &c.; he has gone to London for further preferment, hoping to deceive by a feigned certificate. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

July 12. Hopewell, Weymouth.

29. Capt. Sam. Cornelius to Gen. Blake, Whitehall. I have brought Capt. Norris and his family from Jersey, and am returning with Capt. Yearly, a commander there. I hear from merchants at St. Malo that the two pickeroons commanded by Chamberlen and Lawes were much damaged in the fight with me, and that the latter was sunk, having 10 men killed and many wounded. Those killed being found at low water near Lawes' frigate, he reported they were my men, and it was so printed in the French diurnals, but I did not lose any or receive any wrong. Chamberlen since wrote Col. Haines at Jersey for leave to come in, but I hear that he has been taken to Dunkirk, and that those of Cherburg offered 2,000 livres for his freedom. Since the destruction of these two rogues, those of St. Malo sent to Brest for two more ships to lie between Jersey and St. Malo; they have arrived, but I hope shortly to give as good account of them. [1 *page.*]

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30. Dutch ambassadors to the Generals and Commissioners of the Admiralty. We desire the discharge of Caspar Hendricxon, a trumpeter, taken prisoner in the last engagement, who has been serving 8 months in the Catharine under Capt. Wm. Hammon, and payment of his wages. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

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31. Petition of Capt. John Hunt, in Col. Rich. Ingoldsby's regiment, to the Protector. I served all the late wars, was plundered to the value of 930*l.* by the late King's party, and cannot have remedy, delinquents being freed on composition. I sent in two horses at a charge of 30*l.*, and raised 30 horse at my own cost, contracting debts thereby, and have a wife and 7 children.

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My creditors begged leave to arrest me, but on a report of my case by Col. Goffe, and Lieut.-Cols. Worsley and Mills, you refused it. Wm. Farr, a creditor, now sues the Court-martial for liberty to sue me. I cannot pay my debts till I have my public faith money, and some satisfaction for my losses. You were a means to the late Parliament for my relief, which was prevented by its dissolution. I therefore appeal to you that I may pay my debts, and live comfortably with my family in this time of peace, which I have helped to procure with hazard of life and loss of estate.

With reference thereon, signed, to Cols. Ingoldsby and Goffe, Lieut. Cols. Thos. Kelsey, Worsley, and John Mills, and Majors Heynes and Allen, to consider some way for his relief. [1 *page.*]

July 13. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Excise Commissioners to issue such moneys for the Navy as shall be charged by warrants from the Commissioners for Inspecting Treasuries.

2. An Ordinance for better regulation of the High Court of Chancery read the 1st and 2nd time, and referred to Lambert, Desborow, Strickland, Wolsley, Mackworth, and Fiennes, with power to examine fit persons.

3. Col. Mackworth to consider "the business of a country register, looking forward, or so far backward to the last conveyance"; also such particulars in the propositions of the regulators of the law as may be passed in a short time, and to offer such as he thinks fit speedily.

5. Commissioner Whitelock to attend Council to-morrow morning to take his oath as a Commissioner of the Great Seal, and the rest of the Commissioners to attend with the Seal.

6. The Customs' Commissioners to pay Bulstrode Whitelock the arrears of his salary as a Commissioner for the Great Seal.

7. An Ordinance for clearing from incumbrances an estate settled on the wife and children of the late Gen. Deane read, and referred to Sydenham, Strickland, Wolsley, and Desborow.

8, 9. Four money warrants, 28 June to 3 July, and 3 passes 12 July signed.

10. The Army Committee to give their warrants to the War Treasurers to pay such sums as, with those already issued on warrants of the late Council of State, amount to the sum remaining in the Treasury on July 28, 1653, of the 3,000*l.* paid by Sir John Wollaston and the rest of the former War Treasurers to Wm. Lemon and John Blackwell, for buying horses to recruit the troops in Ireland, and other services.

11. Major Belke and Capt. Osborne, justices of peace, to examine an information containing contemptuous words spoken against Government by Nicholas Webb of Raynham, co. Kent, call witnesses, and report.

12. Order on address of the officers of his Highness' foot regiment, that Capt. Stone, Receiver-General of the Assessments of London, satisfy the money charged therein for one month's pay of the regiment, by warrant from the Army Committee.

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13. The Army Committee to issue warrants to the War Treasurers to pay the 3 companies of foot come from Guernsey and Jersey, under Major Wm. Harding and Capts. Rich. Channing and John Clarke, one month's pay for their present maintenance.

14, 15. John Simpson, committed to Windsor Castle, to be liberated, and required not to preach within 5 miles of London till further order. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 428–430.]

July 13. **32.** Warrant by the Commissioners for Inspecting the Treasuries to pay to Rich. Hutchinson 429*l.* 15*s.*, to be issued on the Admiralty Commissioners' warrants. Receipted 14 July. [1½ *pages.*]

July 14. Note of a petition referred 28 June 1654, to the Committee for Petitions, of Col. Oliver Fitzwilliams, and Lady Elianor his wife, for an Ordinance to put them into possession of certain lands, and to give the Colonel the benefit of articles and the Act of Oblivion. With order in Council that the draft of an Ordinance thereon be referred back to the Committee for Petitions, to consult counsel-at-law, and report. [*I.* 92, *No.* 114; *I.* 75, *p.* 431.]

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2. The petition of Charlotte Countess of Derby, referred by the Protector to Council, referred to Lisle, Lambert, and Mackworth, to report.

3. An Ordinance touching the Minister at York and Peter's school there reported as approved by the Protector, and passed.

6. Skippon, Rous, and Major to consider which petitions depending before Council should be despatched by Council, and to prepare them accordingly. Also what petitions should be laid aside, and to report.

7. Order on Strickland's report of Nich. Bond's account for the moneys received for the entertainment of the Dutch and French ambassadors, audited and attested by the auditors of the Imprest, that the clerks of Council examine the account, and report.

8, 19. Whitelock attending Council to take his oath as one of the Commissioners of the Great Seal, Commissioners Widdrington and Lisle were called in, and Whitelock took the oath appointed to be taken by the Lord Chancellor, Lord Keeper, and Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal.

9. An Ordinance for redress of abuses committed on the Thames and Medway read twice, and committed to Mackworth, Skippon, Fiennes, and Lambert, to report.

11. Order on Fiennes' report from the Committee on the petition of Lord Broghill and Col. Chidley Coote, for those who served faithfully in Ireland before 1649, that it be recommitted to the same Committee, to consider and insert the executors and administrators of widows and orphans.

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12. The Ordinance for Jersey to be considered next Tuesday.

13. The Ordinance for settling lands on the bailiffs and burgesses of Berwick to be considered next Wednesday.

14. Order on a paper from Mr. Maidstone and Mr. Barrington, his Highness' steward and auditor,—desiring that the 1,300*l.* remaining of 9 months to end 16 Sept. 1654, for provision of the household, may be now paid, to enable them to get in winter stores,—that the matter be considered when the public Treasury is settled.

16. Order on report from the Commissioners touching the Holland vessel and goods in her, forced on shore at Alderney,—that the goods saved by the inhabitants of the Isle were valued at 1,400*l.* (being much above their real value), beside the 5 guns and broken parts of the vessel, which were not worth much, out of which Sam. Osborne and Gosling have received 74*l.*, and the goods which came to Lieut. King, deputy-governor of the Isle, amounted to 490*l.*; the rest being in the hands of the islanders, and divided amongst them;—that as it appears that the islanders are very poor, and defended the Isle for Parliament at their own charge during the late war, and as Lieut. King is a faithful man, and has no salary, and is much in arrear, and as wrecks are usually shared among the inhabitants, the moneys and goods taken from them by Gosling and Osborne be restored, and out of the money and goods which Lieut. King had, 100*l.* be paid to him, 40*l.* to Osborne, and 30*l.* to Gosling for expenses, the rest to be for the deputy governor's own use. All officers or others to deliver up any of it in their hands. Approved July 22.

17. Order on Sydenham's report from the Committee on Col. Anth. Butler's petition,—that much money is due to him for his disbursements and personal service,—that Butler have liberty to transport from any part of France to any part of England 300 tons of French wine, and to unlade, bring in, and dispose of it in England to his own profit, without seizure or duty. The Customs and Excise Commissioners to permit it accordingly. Approved July 22.

18. Order that an entry of the delivery of the Great Seal to the Lords Commissioners, and of their taking their oaths be made in the Close Rolls in Chancery as follows: His Highness and Council having nominated Bulstrode Whitelock, serjeant-at-law, Ambassador Extraordinary to Sweden, Sir Thos. Widdrington, serjeant-at-law, and John Lisle to be Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal, his Highness, on April 4 last, at the Council Chamber, Whitehall, delivered the Great Seal to Sir Thos. Widdrington and John Lisle in the name of the 3 Lords Commissioners, and they took the appointed oath. On May 30, 1654, his Highness, by warrant under his sign manual, authorised Widdrington as follows:—We do hereby require you in Lo. Whitelock and Lisle's absence, the one being beyond sea and the other sick, to execute by yourself the powers of the Commissioners of the Great Seal of England, as if the others were present. This warrant you are to have entered in the Petty bag office. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 430–443.]

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July 16. The Providence, Cromarty, near Inverness.

33. Capt. Fras. Bunn to the Admiralty Committee. I convoyed the vessels from the Hope to Leith, and Gen. Monk being absent, received orders from Col. Fenwick, as no other ship of war is on the coast, to range about the northern parts of Scotland, they being annoyed by 3 of Charles Stuart's Booters, who have lately taken some merchant vessels, and sell what they get in Caithness, a place wholly declared for him, and in his name they keep their courts. Colonels Fenwick and Fitch desire that 2 or 3 vessels may be sent at once to guard the coast, for the weather will not admit their stay after October. [1 *page.*]

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34. Petition of the household servants in ordinary to the late King and Queen to the Council of State. On 26 June 1649, Parliament enacted that the goods of the late King, Queen, and Prince should be sold, and the servants paid their debts, salaries, and arrears, and trustees were appointed into whose hands wardrobes and goods of great value were delivered, and they required to prepare 3 duplicates of every parcel as appraised and sold, giving one to the Council of State, and to publish, with a week's notice, the times and places of sale. But they have broken their trust, and disposed of the goods unjustly; complaints were proved before the late Parliament and before the Committee of Petitions, Col. Rous in the chair, who knows the servants' starving condition, many being in prisons. Beg that the trustees may be called to account by persons who can control them. Seven signatures, including Sir Sigismund Zinzan. [1 *page. Also I.* 92, *No.* 6.] *Annexing,*

34. I. *Request that Sir John Thorowgood, Col. Rous, Mich. Oldisworth, Wm. Wheeler, and John Hook may be appointed to examine the accounts.* [*Scrap.*]

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Reference to the Committee to whom the business of the late King's goods is referred, to dispatch the business. [*I.* 75, *p.* 434.]

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35. Petition of Capt. Wm. Rance, for his father-in-law, Roger Pollard, warder of the Tower, to the Protector. My father was always active and faithful, though much injured by free quarter, as living in the country. He has hitherto performed his duty by a deputy, having bought the office and that of gunner, which has been taken from him without cause, at a dear rate. He has 400*l.* due for arrears. An order of Council of 30 Jan. last requires the attendance of all warders on pain of loss of place. I beg an order for my father's arrears, and leave for him to execute his place by a deputy, he being aged, and also to have the sale or assignment thereof. With reference thereon to Council, 30 March 1854. [1 *sheet. Also I.* 92, *Nos.* 11, 305.]

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Order in Council on report that the arrears due to his father as gunner are referred to Capt. Fauconberg, and that those due as warder should be paid when the other warders are paid,—agreeing thereto

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and the rest of his petition is referred to the Lieutenant of the Tower, to consider how he may have the benefit of what was bestowed upon him, and to certify. [*I.* 75, *p.* 435 ; *I.* 92, *No.* 11.]

July 17. Notes of petitions, all in *I.* 92, referred to the Committee of Petitions. With orders thereon in Council all in *I.* 75, in the following cases :

Capt. Rich. Pechell, for payment of 607*l.* 18*s.* arrears due to Major Bethel, to whom he is executor. He is to address Parliament thereon. [I. 92, *No.* 1 ; *I.* 75, *p.* 434.]

Committee for Accounts, that debentures may be given on lists presented to Parliament for soldiers under the Earl of Essex and Sir Wm. Waller, amounting to 28,000*l.*, or that they may deliver out the vouchers. Like order. [*No.* 2, *p.* 434.]

Hen. Robinson, that out of $\frac{2}{6}$ of French prizes he may have 2,500*l.*, which he lent to one Green, who gave a great legacy to the commonwealth. Laid aside. [*No.* 3, *p.* 434.]

Edw. Annesley, storekeeper in the Tower, for payment of 1,135*l.* 2*s.* 9*d.* arrears to him and his workmen. Laid aside. [*No.* 4, *p.* 434.]

Capt. Rich. Pechell, for 100*l.* a year to be settled on him out of Papists' estates, according to a Parliament order of 9 July 1649, for his affection and losses. Laid aside. [*No.* 5, *p.* 434.]

Sir Marm. Langdale's children, for relief, according to a report of last Parliament. Laid aside. [*No.* 8, *p.* 434.]

Inhabitants and seamen of Bridlington, for 4 prize guns lying there, which preserved some ships in that harbour from the Hollanders. Referred to the Admiralty Committee, who are to show them all convenient respect. [*No.* 9, *p.* 435.]

Mary Cole, widow, for 576*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.*, due to her from the late Duke of Hamilton for goods delivered between 1637 and 1642. Laid aside. [*No.* 10, *p.* 435.]

July 17. **36.** Petition of Col. John Berkstead, Lieutenant of the Tower, to Council. By order of the late Council of State, I and Mr. Emery contracted with John Wheate and Mr. Frith for the sale of the scaffolds of Paul's, and I received 105*l.*, which was to be paid to Mr. Frost for contingencies of Council ; but as his accounts are made up and given in, I pray a warrant for him to receive the money, and out of it to pay me 89*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.*, on warrants of 30 Aug. 1653 and 5 May last. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

July 17. Order for the warrants as requested, the former warrants to be delivered in to be cancelled. [*I.* 75, *p.* 435.]

July 17. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order that John Simpson (being liberated from Windsor Castle) do not come within 10 miles of London, under penalty of imprisonment. The observation hereof committed to Capt. Thos. Harrison, Governor of Upnor Castle, Kent.

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3. To advise the Ordinance brought in by Fiennes for Geo. Ralegh and Henry Clerk to have the benefit of the articles given upon the rendition of Oxford. Approved 25 July.

4, 5. The bill concerning mealmen to be read to-morrow morning, next after the Ordinance for Jersey, and the bill concerning rural prebends next after that.

6. The Lieutenant of the Tower's quarter books for Lady Day and Midsummer 1654 referred to the clerks of Council, to examine and report. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 434–435.]

July 18. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

5. Order on a report of the Committee to whom the petition of Isaac Disborow, John Pooton, John Offley, and Rob. Ingram was referred,—that they and Wm. King were employed 4 years as sequestrators of co. Hants., have given in their accounts, but had no allowance; that Disborow has in hand 400*l.*, Ingram and Pooton 300*l.* each, Offley 304*l.*, and King's executors 310*l.*, and also that Laurence Fabian received 200*l.* from them,—that the said sums in their hands be allowed to them in full of all salaries and expenses; that the moneys in Fabian's hands be divided equally amongst them, and that none of them be further accountable therefor. [*I.* 75, *p.* 438.] *Annexing,*

37. I. *Report on which the above order is given.* 6 *July* 1654. [1 *page.*]

37. II. *Draft of the above report.* [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

37. III. *Certificate by Thos. Browne that the Sequestration Commissioners of other counties have had* 30*s.*, 40*s.*, *and* 50*s. a week, beside their salary of* 2*d. in the pound, and other incident charges.* 7 *July* 1654. [$\frac{1}{3}$ *page.*]

July 18. Whitehall. Pres. Lawrence to Gen. Geo. Monk, commander-in-chief in Scotland, and to the Honble. Capt. Chas. Howard, commander-in-chief of some forces in Westmoreland. His Highness and Council having directed Sir Wm. Constable to secure Col. Robt. Montgomery, and give strict charge for his safe custody at Hull, notice has been given that he, being in custody and conscious of his guilt, lately made his escape; you are desired to do your best to retake him, and if you succeed, to keep him safe till orders arrive. [*I.* 75, *p.* 436.]

July 18. Whitehall. Pres. Lawrence to Sir Wm. Constable Bart., high sheriff of co. York. Your letter of July 15, 1654, concerning Col. Rob. Montgomery's escape has been communicated to his Highness, who doubts not your utmost endeavours will be improved for retaking him, to which end letters are written to Gen. Monk and Capt. Howard. Council approves your restraining Lieut.-Col. Ja. Gordon [prisoner of war on bail, suspected of helping Montgomery's escape], and would have you take order to secure him at Hull. You are to give account of your proceedings therein. [*I.* 75, *p.* 437.]

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July 18. Whitehall. Pres. Lawrence to Col. Geo. Fenwick, Governor of Berwick. Council gave a warrant to Sir Wm. Constable to secure Col. Rob. Montgomery, who has since escaped. They therefore authorise you to do your best to retake and secure him. You are also to secure as soon as possible the Earl of Eglington and Lord Montgomery, Robert's elder brother, and keep them at Berwick till they procure Robert, and give him in charge to Constable; or till they give security that he will depart this Commonwealth, and not return to its dominions without licence. [*I.* 75, *p.* 437.]

July 18. The Drake, Dover Road. **38.** Capt. Abra. Allgott to the Admiralty Committee. I took in Hum. Holden, a messenger of Council, by order of the Lord Protector, and plied between Dover and Calais, to search ships from Dunkirk, bound for Spain; I chased and searched several, as also the packet boat, but without fruit. I chased a shallop belonging to Thos. Green of Dover, having 11 bales of wool, bound for Calais, and secured her. I beg the usual benefit for myself and my ship's company. Green says he took the goods in at Margate, for a Walloon merchant in Canterbury.

While plying between Dover and Dungeness, on Gen. Penn's warrant for pirates and pickeroons, I took a shallop near Folkstone, having John Digby, his man, and 3 horses bound for France. I sent Digby up a prisoner to London, and delivered his horses to General Penn for the service of the State, but I am threatened with proceedings with regard to the horses, as I acted without a warrant, but for the service of the State. I desire one for my protection. [1 *page.*] *Enclosing.*

38. I. *Notes of the lading of the shallop taken.* 14 *July* 1655. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

July 19. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on a list of stores presented furnished by Martin Noel, and amounting to 3,850*l.*, that the Excise Commissioners pay him the 3,850*l.*, by suffering him to default so much of the rent due by him on his farm of the excise of salt, the late Ordinance for bringing the revenues into one treasury nowithstanding. [*I.* 75, *p.* 439.]

July 20. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

2. Desborow, Montague, and Sydenham to enquire into the state of the forces in Scotland and Ireland, and the fortifications, as to the pay and charge of them, and what assessments are raised in Scotland for defraying them, and what sum is to be answered from England a month to defray the charge. Also to examine the whole state of the Treasuries, and of the charge of this commonwealth, and report to-morrow. They are impowered to send for whom they please for information.

3. The Commissioners appointed to treat with the French Ambassadors to prepare in writing some particulars to offer them on the debate of the French business to day. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 439–440.]

[July 21.] **39.** Petition of Hum. Jones, silkman, and Wm. Standen, merchant, both citizens of London, and of Thos. Page, of Deptford, Kent, to the Protector. We and the whole nation are sensible of the wrong

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suffered by transporting hides and leather contrary to law, committed daily in all parts for want of a superintending officer to prevent it, so that boot and harness leather is very dear; yet it has been the constant use, since the time of Henry VIII., for licenses to be granted to export superflous calf-skins. Ours is the only license not yet expired, and we will, at our own charge, discover and punish the unlawful export of leather, at every port in England, if we may have a license for 21 years to export yearly 20,000 dicker of calf-skins, being far less than the usual quantity, on paying 5*s.* a dicker, and giving security not to transport any other leather. With reference thereof, and of the annexed reasons, to Council. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

39. I. *Notes from statutes of the licenses granted by former kings to transport calf-skins and the necessity thereof. Also 8 reasons for present licenses for their transport, viz., encouragement of imposts, decay of trade in Bristol, Chester, North and South Wales, and other places where the only exports are leather and lead, &c.* [1 *sheet.*]

July 21. **40.** Reference thereon by the Committee of Council for petitions to the Commissioners of Customs, and their report, 24 July, detailing the laws regulating export of leather, and the customs charged. They have used due means to prevent the export of any but calf-skins, and do not think any large quantity is so exported, but if proved, they have power to punish it. Think the petitioners aim at getting money and setting up a monopoly. [1⅔ *pages.*]

July ? **41.** Report by the Committee of Petitions on the case, recapitulating the statements, but giving no opinion. [1⅔ *pages.*]

July ? **42.** Notes from statutes relative to the export of leather. [⅔ *page, short hand, not deciphered.*]

July 21. **43.** Petition of Jas. Barron, fellow of Magdalen college, Oxford, to the Protector, for continuance in his fellowship, if the president or visitors judge it useful and not prejudicial. Was elected unanimously professor of theology, allowed to marry, and had lodgings for his family, and by the statutes could enjoy great preferments, of which in these times he is incapable; is therefore left to the bare stipend of 14*l.* a year, though it should be 60*l.* according to the improvements of other places in that college, but there is some doubt about his keeping the fellowship, being now married. [¾ *page.*] *Annexing,*

43. I. *Form of an order proposed for his continuance in his fellowship.* [½ *page.*]

July 21. **44.** Order thereon in Council that he have 100*l.* a year augmentation as professor of theology, and that Thos. Fauconberg consider where it may be had; and his report, 25 July, that it should be charged on the Exchequer, the revenues from the tenths of the clergy and first fruits, assigned to heads of colleges or preaching ministers, being over charged. [1 *page*; *also I.* 75, *p.* 441.]

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July 21. **45.** Petition of Wm. Hall, minister at Hevingham, co. Norfolk, to the Protector, for augmentation of allowance. I have preached here some years, and had many seals to my ministry, but my whole means are 60*l.* a year, of which 16*l.* goes for taxes, repairs, and the poor, and I have a wife and small children. As the Lord has given you a tender heart to consider the straitness of others, I hope you will consider me, and strengthen my hands in the work. With reference thereon to Capt. Fauconberg, to certify what augmentions should be granted, and where fixed. 26 June 1654. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

45. I. *Certificate by Nat. Brewster, minister of Alby, Wm. Sheldrake, of Repeam, Rich. Breviter, of North Walsham, and Rob. Daliell, of Swanton Morley, that Hall "is a man of improved spiritual gifts, sound in the faith, and of approved scholarship," and of good character. Norfolk,* 11 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

45. II. *Report by Capt. T. Fauconberg that* 30*l. or* 40*l. should be granted him from the Exchequer, from rectories, tithes, &c., already appointed for augmentations,* 1 *July* 1654. [1 *page.*]

July 21. Order thereon in Council, allowing him 40*l.* accordingly. [*I.* 75, *p.* 441.]

July 21. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on information that the horses and other goods of the Portuguese Ambassador are arrested in the house where he lived at St. James', that the persons who did it be sent for in custody before Council, and the goods, &c., be discharged and restored.

2. Fiennes, Wolsley, Mackworth, and Sydenham to be a Committee to speak with Alderman Fowke on the debate of Council concerning his petition, and report.

3. An Ordinance for continuing the Admiralty Commissioners read, and passed.

4, 5. To insert clauses in the Ordinance touching donatives in Scotland, to authorise the trustees of confiscated lands to settle land worth 200*l.* a year each on Col. Thos. Fitch and John Weaver.

8. For satisfaction for 203 tents bought by Col. Pride on the march of his regiment into Scotland, the sum of——to be disposed of by the Admiralty Commissioners, to be raised thus: 139*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*, remaining in John Powell's hands, being the overplus above what was paid out of 1,300*l.* received from customs for discharge of 1,000 tents provided by the Ordinance officers, and shoes for Col. Alured's forces, and — to be paid to John Powell for that purpose. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 440, 441.]

July 22. Approval by the Protector in Council of 14 orders, from 27 June to 17 July. [*I.* 75, *p.* 441.]

July 22. The Advantage, Lochaber, Scotland. **46.** Capt. Edm. Thomson to the Admiralty Committee. After receiving our provisions at Liverpool, we sailed on the 8th, and arrived here the 15th. The camp is now commanded by Col. Bryan, who has brought many Highlanders into protection, and erected

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a fine garrison, so as to be able to fall upon the enemy. The Islip convoyed over Commissary Fowler with the money and provisions, and is waiting to carry him back, and then cruise at sea. I am to remain here until our provisions are expended, and then return to Liverpool. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

July 22. Inverlochy. **47.** Instructions by Col. Wm. Brayne [or Bryan] to Capt. Edw. Tarleton. You are to carry Commissary Fowler to Holyhead or Beaumaris, and then ply between the Isle of Man and the Western Isles of Scotland, for freebooters and pirates for 5 weeks, and then await further orders. [2 *pages.*]

July 23. Hare pink, before the camp, Lochaber, Highlands. **48.** Capt. Fras. Cranwill to the Admiralty Committee. I am attending on Col. Bryan, Commander of the Forces in the Highlands; if I am to be appointed one of the winter guard, I hope to be sent where I can refit, and obtain stores. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

July 23. The Satisfaction, Chester Water. **49.** Stephen Skewes to the Admiralty Committee. We have been attending on the army in Inverlochy, at the back side of Scotland, and when refitted and victualled for 6 or 8 months, are to return there. We generally carry from 130 to 140 men, but they are continually coming and going, choosing rather to lose a little time than serve long. I hope the captain will tell you our proceedings. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

July 23. The Satisfaction, Highlake, Chester Water. **50.** Capt. Mic. Nutton to the Navy Commissioners. On orders of General Monk I carried a party of soldiers from Carrickfergus to Col. Brayne at Inverlochy in the Highlands. I had but 15 days' victuals, and was then sent to Liverpool for victuals and other things required. We want a forecastle to shelter our men in these cold countries. The Marquis of Argyle has given us timber for one. Also we want woollen clothes, shirts, hose, and medicine. [1 *page.*]

July 23. The Satisfaction. **51.** Capt. Mic. Nutton to the Admiralty Committee. To the same effect. [1 *page.*]

July 23. The Satisfaction, Highlake, Chester Water. **52.** Capt. Mic. Nutton to Robt. Blackborne. To the same effect. I waited till relieved by the Hare pink. On 12 July I had my orders enclosed for Liverpool. On the 15th the Advantage arrived at Inverlochy, on the 17th the Wren from Ireland, with 2 more vessels, and on the 19th, being under sail, we passed a new frigate, built at Bristol, with 3 other vessels going to Col. Brayne. Our steward, sent by Gen. Fleetwood, has left us and gone to Ireland. [1 *page.*] *Enclosing,*

52. I. *List of stores required by the Hare pink and Satisfaction, which are to serve at Inverlochy.* [1 *page.*]

52. II. *Gen. Monk to [Mic. Nutton]. Thanks for your care in assisting Col. Brayne; you must go to Liverpool and take in 6 months' provisions, or if your vessel will not hold them, take 8 months' dry provisions, and hire a vessel for the beer, that you may better attend the service. Camp at the head of Loch Laigh,* 23 *June* 1654. [*Copy,* $\frac{1}{3}$ *page.*] *Also,*

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52. III. *Col. Wm. Brayne to [Nutton]. To like effect. Hire vessels to bring the rest of your provisions, and 2 months' victuals for the Hare pink. Hasten what relief for the forces here you meet with at Liverpool or on your way. With note by Nutton that Brayne wishes him to trim and tallow the ship for the winter voyage, and take in the stores for this expedition. Inverlochy,* 12 *July* 1654. [*Copy,* ⅔ *page.*]

52. IV. *Col. Wm. Brayne to Ald. Chas. Walley, Chester. The Satisfaction waits on you for victuals, and to return to her station; furnish her speedily, for this is an exceeding bad plaee. I have sent to the Protector for an order. The service here will suffer if she is delayed. Please to send the enclosed to my father, who lives 5 miles beyond Whitchurch. I cannot send any other way. Inverlochy, in Lochaber,* 12 *July* 1654. [⅔ *page.*]

July 23. / Aug. 2. Angers. **53.** F. White, preacher of the congregation of the orators of Jesus Christ, to [Jos.] Williamson, at Mdlle. Poitevin's, Saumur. I cannot in any language render you thanks for your services proportioned to your merits, but I write these in English to assure you of my cordial affection. I hope soon to see you here, and show you the rest of my heart *vivâ voce.* Tell your noble companion, Mr. Ly, I much desire his sweet conversation next year, for he cannot go to Italy because the plague increases. [1 *page.*]

July 24. **54.** Petition of Major Rob. Huntington to the Protector, to remove the obstruction as to his accounts [*see* 23 *March suprà*], and to put his arrears into bonds, as others are that stand upon the same security. [1 *page.*]

July 24. Order thereon in Council that the vote of Parliament of 7 May 1650, (whereby the trustees and contractors at Worcester House were to stay allowance of any arrears claimed in the purchase of lands till further order) be repealed, and that the Commissioners for the soldiery at Worcester House state his accounts for service according to the new model, and give him debentures for the same, which the trustees for sale of the late King's lands are to accept, and to give bonds to be accepted on purchase of lands, proceeding as though the said vote had never been made. [*I.* 75, *p.* 442.]

July 24. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Mackworth to send for the judges at Salters' Hall, and with them prepare an Ordinance of explanation of the Ordinance for relief of creditors and poor prisoners. Mr. Scobell to attend.

2. The Admiralty Committee to prepare an Ordinance to inhibit merchants and others from keeping powder on board this side of Woolwich, inward or outward, on pain of forfeiture of their ships.

3. The Bill for regulating Chancery debated, and proceeded in by parts. [*I.* 75, *p.* 442.]

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July 25. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. An Ordinance for repaying 376*l.* to Ald. Ireton and John Humfrey approved by the Protector.

4. Jones, Sydenham, Mackworth, Rous, and Wolsley to be a Committee on the charges against John Rogers, he being sent for in custody.

5. Renewal of the reference of 14 April of the petition of William Earl of Salisbury to the Treasury Commissioners.

7. Lord Whitelock's account of the money he received as ambassador to Sweden referred to Desborow, to see how much has been paid, and to report. Jessop to attend him.

10. Lambert's report on the petition of the nobility and gentry of Scotland fined by the late Act of Pardon, &c., agreed with, and referred back to its Committee, to prepare and offer an Ordinance accordingly.

11. Nich. Netterville, taken in the late general search, to be released, on security to appear before Council on summons, and not to act against the Commonwealth. Col. Wm. Goffe and Lieut.-Col. Charles Wolsley to see it done. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 441, 442.]

July 26. **55.** Petition of the town and parish of Manchester to the Protector. There formerly appertained to the ministry of the parish 2,000*l.* a year from lands and tithes. The lands were all sold by an Act made in 1649, and there remained only the tithes, which were sequestered and farmed, and chiefly given out of the parish. In June 1653, petitioners obtained from the late Council of State a suspension of payment of tithes, that they might be given to their own 12 ministers, but the tithes being left free, the parishioners cannot agree what to pay, and some will not pay at all, so that the ministers are unprovided for. Beg an order to compel the inhabitants to pay 400*l.* a year in lieu of tithes, being the value at which they were let, to be proportioned by indifferent men to the ministers. [1 *page.*]

July 26. 1. Order in Council referring the petition to Rous, Desborow, Mackworth, and Major, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 444.]

[July.] **56.** Report in favour of the petition, if the tithes are of that value,—if not, they must be paid in specie, and recommending continuance of the 120*l.* a year allowed by the Trustees for maintenance of ministers, to Mr. Herrick, a minister of Manchester. [¾ *page.*]

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3. Order on petition of John Burnet, minister of St. Michael's, New Malton, co. York,—stating that 50*l.* a year was settled by the Committee for Plundered Ministers, and continued by the Committee for Universities, as an augmentation to Mr. Higson, late minister there, as it is a populous market town with but 10*l.* a year for its minister,—that Burnet have the 50*l.* allowed out of the rents of

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rectories, &c. in the county, vested in Trustees for Maintenance of Ministers, who are to settle it.

6. The report of Whitelock's embassy to be read on Friday.

8. The report of the Committee on the desires of Mr. Gallaspin and Menez, 2 Scotch ministers, approved, and 100*l.* a year to be paid out of the customs of Glasgow and Aberdeen to the universities there as an augmentation.

9. The papers delivered about the debts of Sir Job Harvy, Sir Nich. Crisp, and Sir John Jacob referred to Jones, Sydenham, Cooper, Mackworth, and Strickland, to obtain the consent of the dissenting creditors to the proportions agreed to by the other creditors, or to certify what should be done. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 444–445.]

July 26. Whitehall. Council to Rich. Pight, clerk of the irons to the Mint, on his petition. By an order of the Protector and Council of this day, you are from time to time to search for and seize all irons and coining instruments taken from coiners on their apprehension, whether remaining in their hands or detained by the bailiffs or sheriffs' officers; also all false coin and metal, clipped money, dyes, presses, &c. used in coining, bring them to the Tower, and deliver them to the lieutenant, that they may be cut, melted, and defaced, and all further prejudice to the State prevented. With writ of assistance. [*I.* 112, *p.* 42, *I.* 75, *p.* 444.]

July 27. **57.** Petition of Isaac Elleston, clothier of Bradford, co. York, to the Protector. Has always been well-affected, and lost his whole estate 130*l.* by the Earl of Newcastle, when Bradford was taken. His only son, on whom he depended, a quartermaster in Col. Fiennes' own troop, was slain at Bristol, and he is 75 years old, in debt and past labour, and has nothing left. Begs the 28*l.* arrears due to his son, or a pension. Noted as delivered by Col. Fiennes. With reference thereon to Council, 19 July 1654. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

57. I. *Certificate by Col. Fiennes and others to the arrears due to John Elleston, and to his being slain in the service.* 26 *July* 1643. [1 *page.*]

57. II. *Petition of Isaac Elleston to Chief Justice Rolles, for relief on the Acts of Parliament from threatened imprisonment for debt, not being worth* 40s., *his son slain, and his daughter, who was his stay, having been two years a caitiff (cripple). Has been always in good repute with his neighbours. Certified to be true by* 7 *neighbours.* [1 *page.*]

July 27. Order in Council on his petition for payment to him of 28*l.* from the receipt of probate of wills, in lieu of all demands. Approved 7 Aug. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 451, 472.]

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July 27. **58.** Petition of Alexander Earl of Kelly, prisoner in the Tower, to the Protector. I have been detained here almost 3 years, with no allowance from my own fortune or otherwise for maintenance, to which my friends are unable or neglect to contribute, and as you have disposed of my estate, I cannot subsist. Pray assign me money to free myself here, and go to some other place in the world, where God may find me a fortune; or if you detain me prisoner, allow me a subsistence. With reference thereon to Council, 19 July 1654. [1 *page.*]

July 27. Order thereon in Council allowing him 3*l.* a week from Council's contingencies, till further order for his maintenance. [*I.* 75, *p.* 451.]

July 27. **59.** Petition of Thos. Kendall, merchant, to the Council of State. On my addresses to you in behalf of Rob. Michel, of the St. Lewis of Dieppe [*see* 16 *March and* 2 *May suprà*], you ordered the Admiralty Judges to proceed according to justice, but if the ship were condemned, to stay the sale 10 days. She is condemned, the 10 days expired, and is appraised at 110*l.*; prays an order for her restoration to Michel, on his paying the appraisement. [1 *page.*]

July 27. Order thereon that the Prize goods' Commissioners restore her to Michel, on payment. [*I.* 75, *p.* 455.]

July 27. **59.** Petition of Capt. John Bushell, one of his life guard, to the Protector. On the Act for discovering frauds and concealments, discovered 1,043*l.* due to the late King, concealed by John Reading, and put in an information to the Commissioners for the Act, but Reading pleaded the Act of general pardon for his discharge. The case was argued on both sides, but the decision lay with the Committee for Public Debts, which has now ceased, so that there will be a failure of justice unless his Highness will give order therein. With order that the Commissioners before whom the matter depended certify Council thereon. 7 March 1653–4. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

59. I. *Certificate by the Committee for Public Debts that Bushel accused Reading of detaining* 1,043*l.* 19*s. as one of the Chamberlains for receiving fines on the new corporation for the freedom of workmen within* 3 *miles of London. He pleads that the moneys were due* 15 *Charles, and that as he has satisfied the late Treasury Commissioners and Public Revenue Committee thereon, he need not answer further. Also that the case is covered by the Act of oblivion. Bushell pleads that Reading is excluded from that Act, and that a record of* 23 *Charles proves the sum to be due.* [2½ *pages.*]

July ? **60.** Statement of Mr. Reading's case. In 1636, for the relief of honest London tradesmen, a charter of incorporation was granted them, "but in those times it could not pass without some profit to "the King" which was 4*s.* for every one that served 7 years' apprentice, 20*s.* for all that had not been apprenticed, and 5*l.* for an alien,

but no more to be admitted without apprenticeship. I spent 4 years and many hundred pounds in drawing and passing the charter. Mr. Lewknor and I were receivers, took 3,340*l.* 3*s.* for the King, and paid in 2,300*l.*, leaving 627*l.* 1*s.* due by Lewknor, and 416*l.* 2*s.* by me,— but I had only that sum towards 1,600*l.* expenses.

The business was good, but became perverted by admitting those who had no right, but the unpardonable fault was that it raised money for the King without consent of Parliament.

In the very beginning of Parliament, I was preparing, by advice of Pym and Hampden, an Act to repeal the illegal imposition for the King, and to continue the rest of the charter, but the business was laid aside.

I applied for relief to the King, who referred me to the Lord Treasurer, then to the Treasury Commissioners, and then to the Revenue Commissioners, who granted me and Miles Corbet the clerkship of the Court of Wards, in which I spent ½ a year and 30*l.*, and received nothing. I have since been informed against at several Committees for the debt, but I claim the benefit of the Act of pardon. 25 March 1654. [1¾ *pages.*]

July ? **61.** Report by the Commissioners to whom the case was referred, recapitulating it, and stating that they see no ground for Reading's being excepted from the Act of pardon.

That Capt. Bushell's prosecution is not a discovery, being a matter of record, and that the Court of Exchequer should decide the case in a legal way. [1½ *pages.*]

July ? **62.** Draft of the above report. [1 *page.*]

July 27. Order in Council thereon adopting the report, but as the State's interest is concerned, the Court of Exchequer is to determine whether the debt is pardoned by the Act of Oblivion. [*I.* 75, *p.* 456.]

[July 27.] **63.** Petition of the surveyors, clerks, and messengers employed for sale of delinquents' estates to the Protector and Council. Thanks for the order of 19 May last, for the Drury House trustees to issue a warrant for payment to them of 16,472*l.* 13*s.*, but by reason of the order of 21 June last, requiring all moneys after 24 June to be paid into the Exchequer, their treasurers cannot pay the same, there being but little money brought in before 24 June. Beg an order for payment, the said Ordinance notwithstanding. [1 *page.*]

July 27. **64.** Petition of Jas. Boswell, "a poor distracted man," to the Protector and Council. Had an order for payment of 419*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.* from Drury house, [*see* 27 *Feb. suprà*], but it cannot be paid on account of the late restraint laid on issues out of that treasury. Begs an Ordinance for his small sum, or its insertion into an Ordinance which is to be drawn for 16,000*l.* for the surveyors, which was formerly charged on that treasury. [1 *page.*]

July 27. Note of this petition of Jas. Boswell as referred to the Committee for petitions in Council, and order thereon for payment with the

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16,472*l.* 13*s.* on the Ordinance for the surveyors, clerks &c. at Drury house. [*I.* 92, *No.* 150; *I.* 75, *p.* 456.]

July 27. **65.** Ordinance of the Protector in Council that the Treason trustees issue warrants to their treasurers to pay 419*l.* 15*s.* 2*d.* to Jas. Boswell, on a Council warrant of 2 June last, and 16,472*l.* 13*s.* to the surveyors, clerks, and messengers for salary, the late Ordinance for bringing the revenues into one treasury notwithstanding. [¾ *page, copy.*]

July 27. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Lambert's report of an Ordinance for pardoning Wm. Blaxton, twice read, and referred to the Committee on his petition.

2. Council proceeded in the Ordinance for regulating and limiting the jurisdiction of Chancery. Resolved on question that a clause shall be inserted for an appeal. That on such appeal, 2 judges of the Upper Bench and Common Pleas, one being a chief justice, and 2 of the barons of the Court of Exchequer sit with the Lord Chancellor, Lord Keeper, or Lords Commissioners, and have a vote in the rehearing of such cause, the decree to be confirmed or altered according to the vote of the majority. The penning of the clause, the settling of the fees, and also the business of the registers in Chancery on the present debate, and other fees to be taken in Chancery referred to Desborow, Mackworth, Wolsley and Sydenham.

3. Order on report from the Committee on Capt. Pet. Blackhouse's petition, that for his discovering a delinquency bringing in 15,000*l.* (for which if the estate had continued under sequestration, and not been put into the Act for sale, he should have received ⅕) he receive 500*l.* The Committee to consider on which Treasury it may be charged.

4. Order on report from Lieut.-Col. John Milt, that the Ordnance officers at the Tower deliver out of their stores 140 muskets, 140 bandoleers, 60 pikes, 10 drums, 20 halberts, to supply Col. Ingoldsby's foot regiment, raised from 1,000 to 1,200.

6. The petition of Nicholas Earl of Banbury and Isabella his wife, Edward Vaux Lord Harrowden, and Elizabeth Countess Dowager of Banbury, mother to the Earl, referred to counsel, to certify the case in point of law, and report.

7. Two money warrants of 19 and 26 July signed.

8. Order on report from the Committee on several reports made by Capts. Blackwell and Deane and Mr. Rowe, for clearing accounts on contracts with the late Scotch and Irish Committees for provisions for Ireland, that warrants be drawn accordingly. [*See money warrant tables,* 27 *July.*]

10. Order on the petition of John Clarke, that the Trustees for sale of Forfeited Estates allow him 2,000*l.* as doubled money on the purchase of any of the said estates, with the same advantage as though the same had been in doubled bills.

11. Order on report in the case of George Lord Eure, and Col. Fras. Lascelles [*see* 10 *May suprà*] that Ralph Rymer pay them the 1,650*l.*, arrears in his hands, in full discharge of their arrears of

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1,042*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.*, and of 2,066*l.* 6*s.* 9*d.*, and that their acquittance be his discharge.

14. Sydenham's report from the Committee on John Grace's petition agreed with, as to suspending his transplantation till further order.

15. Order on report from the Committee on the petition of Sir Wm. Killigrew, and the rest of the undertakers for Lindsey Level, co. Lincoln, that they be put in full possession of the 24,000 acres allotted them by the Commissioners of Sewers, according to their respective proportions, by the sheriffs of the respective counties, and that a commission of Sewers be directed to indifferent persons to examine and determine all complaints and claims from commoners or undertakers. *Annexing,*

66. I. *Report on which the above order is grounded, made on several hearings of the undertakers and of the Lords and Commoners claiming interest in the said drained lands, and on consideration of the great expense of the undertakers and the public advantage accruing thereby to the State.* [1½ *pages. Endorsed: "Chief Justice to go the Western Circuit, Justice Pepys the Essex Circuit."*]

17–19. Pickering presents from the Ambassadors from the United Provinces, letters, petitions, and passes concerning the Queen of Bohemia, and Lord Craven, and petitions from Dutch artisans living in England, and from Elizabeth, wife of Gervais Hollis. Lord Craven's petition referred to Pickering, Strickland, Mackworth, Jones, and Desborow, and the other papers to be delivered to the clerk of Council, to present to Council when there is opportunity.

21. Order on Fauconbridge's report, that the 100*l.* ordered as augmentation to James Barron, while Professor of Theology at Magdalen College, Oxford, be charged half yearly on the Exchequer.

22. Order on report of the Committee on petition of Geo. Adams, vintner, late of Bidminster, co. Somerset, and in consideration of his service against Prince Rupert's garrison in Bristol, and the ruin of himself and family by the burning of his goods and houses, that 200*l.* be allowed him out of any discoveries he may make of estates not already pardoned by the Act of Oblivion, before the Commissioners for sequestered estates, who are to determine them, and pay him the 200*l.*, if it be not more than half the discovery. If the discovery fall short of 400*l.*, they are to pay him a proportion.

24. Order on a report of the Admiralty Commissioners, on reference of 19 June last,—certifying that Commissary-General Dobbins was employed from 26 July 1553 at 10*s.* a day for 6 months, in shipping provisions for Scotland and Ireland,—that his salary be paid out of Council's contingencies. *Annexing,*

67. I. *Report alluded to that he was engaged for* 6 *months, from* 26 *July to* 14 *Dec., or longer if needful, but only executed* 3 *orders of Council after* 14 *December.* [⅔ *page.*]

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25. **68.** Order on report of the Admiralty Committee, on a reference of 27 Feb. last on the petition of Gilbert Keate and the owners of the Marmaduke,—stating that the ship was taken by Rupert, equipped as a man-of-war against the State, and then surprised and brought home;—that such of the owners as are well affected have half the value of the ship, according to the appraisement at Plymouth, 11 June 1652, in proportion to their respective shares, according to the Act of 22 February 1648–9, and the other half go to the State. *Annexing,*

68. I. *Report on which the said order is founded.* 13 *July* 1654. [¾ *page.*]

26, 27. Order on report from the Admiralty Commissioners of a reference of May 2, 1654, on the petition of Sam. Boothouse, late Consul for this nation in the city and kingdom of Tunis,—showing how he and other merchants were seized and imprisoned, and their goods sequestered by the Dey of Tunis, contrary to the articles of capitulation, because Stephen Mitchell, master of the Goodwin of London, had taken several Turks on board to transport to Smyrna, and delivered them up to the Malta galleys to be made slaves, without trying to protect them;—that instructions be given to the commandant of the next State's ship bound for the Straits to demand satisfaction of the Dey on behalf of the petitioner and merchants; and to secure Mitchell till he give sufficient security to abide judgment from Council.

29. Order on report from the Admiralty Committee, on a reference of 6 April 1654, on the petition of Capt. Rich. White,—showing that his ship, the Richard of London, was taken in 1651 for services in the Isle of Man, for which he received a proportionable allowance, and he was diverted from taking another voyage for which he was to receive a greater allowance,—that the collectors for prize goods pay him 55*l.* more.

33. Order on petition of Lucas Lucy, and 7 others, part owners of the Hopeful Luke, and 7 other vessels, all bound for Virginia, that liberty be given to transport in each ship 120 dozen shoes, 6 barrels of powder, and 1 ton of shot, the freighters paying Customs and duty.

35. To consider next Wednesday the Ordinance for settling the interest in the Londonderry plantation.

37, 40. Order on report of the Committee on Nich. Devereux's petition,—showing that Parliament having referred to the late Committee for Advance of money to show what the State owes him, and to allow it out of concealed estates discovered at Haberdashers' Hall, he discovered a delinquent's debt of 400*l.*, which was paid into the Treasury according to the late Ordinance, and that a greater sum remains due to him,—that the Treasury Commissioners issue a warrant to the Treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall to pay him 400*l.* in part of his arrears. An Ordinance passed accordingly.

39. An Ordinance for naturalising Joachim Hane read and passed. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 445–456.]

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69. Capt. Edw. Tarleton to the Admiralty Committee. I delivered the money and provisions to Col. Brayne in Scotland, and send his receipt. He ordered me to bring back Commissary Fowler, and then to observe former instructions. [½ *page.*] *Enclosing,*

69. I. *Receipt by Col. Wm. Brayne,* 20 *July* 1654, *for* 1,000 *pair of shoes,* 100 *tents,* 100 *shovels, and* 100 *pickaxes.* [½ *page.*]

July 27. The Islip, near Beaumaris.

70. Wm. Serjant to the Navy Commissioners. We sailed out of Chester Water on the 14th with Commissary Fowler, and 3 vessels with provisions, and after a great storm and fog, came by the Isle of Man, Carrickfergus, and Dewart Cassell, and on the 20th we reached Lochaber, where Fowler delivered up his trust, and the money was transferred to the Advantage. We were then ordered to bring him back, as also to convoy a vessel to Liverpool, and then to cruise in the Channel for a month. I enclose the muster book. [1 *page.*]

July 27. The Primrose, Leith Road.

71. Capt. John Sherwin to the Admiralty Committee. I wrote you last from Hull. I arrived here yesterday, but was damaged by being piloted onto a sunken rock. I have written to Gen. Monk of my arrival, and wait his directions. [1 *page.*]

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1. To advise, on report from the Committee on Hugh Potter's petition, that John Rushworth and Wm. Rowe be commissioned to execute the office of registrar to the Admiralty Court, void by death of Thos. Wyan.

2, 3. Rous and Major to consider Ackhurst's answer to his charge, and to report. Also to perfect their examination of the papers referring to Mr. Abdy, and to report.

4. The report on Lo. Whitelock's embassy to Sweden to be considered next Monday.

5. The Commissioners of Council for the Dutch treaty to seal and sign the papers now presented.

6. An Ordinance for repealing the powers of the Commissioners for ordering the affairs of Ireland read. [*I.* 75, *p.* 457.]

July 28. Chatham.

72. Lawrence Wise to Lieut.-Col. Kelsey. Mr. Crocker is the man who was settled by the Lord Protector to the living of Frinsbury, and Mr. Malin was to draw up a presentation for him. I beg you will further him all you can, as many Christians in those parts are greedy in their expectations of his settlement. [½ *page.*]

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73. Hen. Williams and Rich. Wigmore to Mr. Scobell. We beg you to annex these papers to our petition and certificate, and to present the whole to Council the first seasonable opportunity. In our absence our solicitors will attend you to know the result. We are ready to make good the particulars. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

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73. I. *Petition and certificate of the gentry, freeholders, and inhabitants of co. Brecon to the Protector. According to a writ directed to John Williams, high sheriff, for electing a member to serve in the Parliament to meet* 3 *Sept. next, we assembled peacably and unarmed at Brecon on* 12 *July, being qualified to vote, but were menaced and terrified from giving our votes according to our conscience. This was chiefly because the high sheriff did not perform his duty, his under-sheriffs, agents, &c. being armed, and dragging people to vote for Edm. Jones, who is incapable of the trust, being a compounded delinquent, and we were not allowed to put in our just exceptions against those who were not qualified to vote. We therefore protest against these illegal proceedings and request examination.* 28 *signatures.* [1 *sheet.*]

73. II. *Eight exceptions setting forth Edm. Jones' incapacity of acting as member of Parliament. That he left his chamber at Gray's Inn and went to Oxford, furthered the Irish rebellion, and being a counsellor at law, and in favour with the late King and Earl of Worcester, was made commissioner of array for co. Monmouth, and did his best to bring the county to obedience to the King, for whom he was treasurer, and pressed men and raised horses.*

That he was a main agent in Raglan garrison, and conveyed the Earl of Worcester in disguise through the Parliament quarters.

That he compounded at an under value, first with the county committee and then at Goldsmiths' Hall, but has never shown any favour to Parliament, and has avoided giving an account of his receipts as treasurer for the late King; he obtained the office of attorney of South Wales from those who knew not his delinquencies, and has often misbehaved therein. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *sheet.*]

73. III. *Particulars of the estate for which he compounded at Goldsmiths' Hall.* [$1\frac{1}{4}$ *pages.*]

73. IV. *Certificate by Mich. Herring of Jones' payment of his fine of* 70*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* 25 *July* 1654. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

73. V. 17 *Exceptions against his election, setting forth the gross partiality of high sheriff John Williams, and the imperfect and false return willingly made, contrary to the express letter of government, published by the Protector's special command. Instances of the admission of illegal votes, the use of threats and force to influence the voters, and the falsifying of the return, most of the freeholders having voted for Hen. Williams.* [$1\frac{1}{2}$ *sheets. Noted as referred,* 18 *Aug.* 1654.]

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73. VI. *Narrative and information of Nath. Hancock, on behalf of many thousands of the well-affected, addressed to Parliament, complaining against Edm. Jones of Gray's Inn, and of Llansoy, co. Monmouth, for being recorder of Brecon, a commissioner for charitable uses in South Wales, and practising as a lawyer, and for obtaining eminent persons to appear for him, so as to escape the proceedings of the Committee for Indemnity, to which he was referred by Council of State order of* 15 *July* 1651. *Also of obtaining employment by the interest of Mr. Games, his father-in-law. With particulars of accusations against him.* [2½ *pages. Printed.*]

July 31. **74.** Petition of John Bushrod, of Dorchester, to the Protector. In 1642 I advanced a large part of my estate for the commonwealth, and have received nothing. I beg a license to export 300 todds of wool to Jersey, to advantage the inhabitants by setting them to work, which will be no prejudice to this State. With reference to Council, 20 July 1654. [1 *page.*]

July 31. Order thereon in Council that the Customs' Commissioners issue a warrant for the export. [*I.* 75, *p.* 458.]

[July 31.] **75.** Petition of Edm. Squibb to the Protector. The late King 29 Jan. 1640 granted my brother, Art. Squibb, jun., of Westminster, the place of a teller of the Exchequer for life, which he has sold to me, 21 Feb. 1653–4. I beg ratification of my right, on the usual security. I have always been well-affected, and in April 1653, I discovered 5,800*l.* conveyed out of the Excise office, to defraud the State. With order thereon, 17 May 1654, that his Highness will consider it when the regulation of the Excise is settled. [1 *sheet. Also I.* 92, *No.* 106.]

[July 31.] **76.** Like petition to the Protector. I hope you will act as you did in the case of Serj. Dendy, sen., who held a patent for life, and that my place may not be disposed to another. With reference thereon to Council, 28 June 1654. [1 *sheet.*]

July 31. Order thereon in Council that the petition be laid aside. [*I.* 75, *p.* 459.]

July 31. **77, 78.** Petition of Laurence Squibb to the Protector. The late King, by patent of 9 June 1635, granted me a tellership in the Exchequer for life. As I have been employed in Exchequer affairs 20 years, and have a legal right to the office, I beg you to confirm me therein. [2 *copies. Also I.* 92, *No.* 110.]

July 31. Order in Council thereon that the petition be laid aside for the present, as that Treasury is upon a new establishment by the late Ordinance. [*I.* 75, *p.* 459.]

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July 31. **79.** List of 45 prisoners now in the Tower, under custody of the lieutenant, Col. Barkstead, with the dates and causes of commitment:—

1 Sept. 1644. Dr. Wren, late Bishop of Ely.

1 Sept. 1649. Sir John Wintour. For treason in levying war against the Parliament and people of England.

16 Sept. 1651. Lord Grandison. For being in arms of the party of Charles Stuart.

16 Sept. 1651. Earl of Kelly.
16 Sept. 1651. Lord Sinclair.
16 Sept. 1651. Lord Spynie.
} For being in arms for Charles Stuart in the last invasion by the Scots.

27 Sept. 1651. Earl of Cleveland. For treason in bearing arms against Parliament.

29 Sept. 1651. Earl of Crawford. Bearing arms against the Commonwealth.

29 Sept. 1651. Earl Marshall.
29 Sept. 1651. Lord Ogleby.
} Being in arms against the Commonwealth.

2 Oct. 1651. Lieut.-Gen. David Lesley.
2 Oct. 1651. Earl of Lauderdale.
} Bearing arms against Parliament and the Commonwealth.

20 Oct. 1651. Lieut.-Col. Broughton. Assisting the enemy in the late invasion.

3 Nov. 1651. Ant. Jackson. Proclaiming Charles Stuart King of England.

27 July 1652. Earl of Worcester. Bearing arms against the Parliament and people of England.

13 Nov. 1653. Major Thorp. On information of his practising great frauds.

17 Feb. 1654. Richard Dutton.
Roger Lea.
Thos. Rosse.
Capt. Thos. Smith.
John Archer.
Wm. Jenkins.
Jos. Sawyer.
Thos. Bunce.
Jos. Barker.
Chris Watkins.
} On suspicion of treason.

21 May 1654. *Hum. Bagaley.
Gilbert Gerard.
Sidney Fotherby.
} High treason and other high crimes against his Highness and the Commonwealth.

27 May 1654. Mich. Mason. High treason.

27 May 1654. Wm. Ashburnham. High treason.

30 May 1654. Thos. Saunders. High treason.

1 June 1654. Chas. Gerard. High treason.

2 June 1654. John Ashburnham. High treason.

2 June 1654. John Wiseman. High treason.

* These and all the remainder are noted as being in close custody.

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2 June 1654. Sir Rich. Willis. Suspicion of great crimes of a high nature.

3 June 1654. John Fynch. High treason.

12 June 1654. Alex. Blayne. High misdemeanours against the State.

14 June 1654. Sir Theodore Nouden. High treason.

17 June 1654. Hen. Seymour. High treason.

19 June 1654. Somerset Fox. Fras. Fox. Major Bayley. Phil. Porter. } High treason.

27 June 1654. Lady Ingram. High crimes and misdemeanours against the State.

[2 *sheets.*] *Annexing,*

79. I. *Receipt by Mich. Mason of* 25*s.*, *being* 5*s. a week, from his keeper, Rich. Standen, and receipt by Standen of the* 25*s. for his diet from Col. Berkstead.* 22 *and* 26 *July* 1654. [*Scrap.*]

79. II. *Like receipt by John Wiseman of* 35*s.*, *being* 7*s. a week, and like receipt by Standen of* 1*l.* 15*s.* 22 *and* 26 *July* 1654. [*Scrap.*]

[July 31.] **80.** Bill by Col. John Barkstead, Lieutenant of the Tower, of the wages due to himself, the gentleman porter, and 40 yeomen warders named, from 25 Dec. 1653 to 25 March 1654, 268*l.* 8*s.*; also his demands for charges and necessaries, as repairs, diet, and charges of the gaoler, preacher, clock keeper, supply of water, fire and candle, and the wages of 6 gunners; 141*l.* 13*s.* 0¾*d.*; total 410*l.* 2*s.* 0¾*d.* [2 *sheets.*]

[July 31.] **81.** Like bill from 25 March to 24 June 1654; total 453*l.* 14*s.* 10¾*d.* [2 *sheets.*] *Annexing,*

81. I.–XV. *Receipts of paviours, plumbers, glaziers, bricklayers, plasterers, carpenters, ironmongers, and boatmen, for repairs done at the Tower, and for laying ballast on the wharf.* [15 *papers.*]

81. XVI. *Bill for carrying prisoners and their guards, &c. by coach and boat to and from Whitehall and Westminster, viz., Chas. Gerard, Mich. Mason, John Gerard, Mr. Vowell, Wiseman, Cole, and Ashburnham; also John Gerard, Vowell, and Somerset Fox, several days to their trial and condemnation. June* 3–*July* 1, 1654. *Total* 7*l.* 3*s.* 10*d.* [⅔ *page.*]

July 31. Order, on presentation by Mr. Jessop of the 2 quarter bills of the Tower, for 25 March and 24 June, and his report that on examination thereof, as ordered 17 July, he found the first to be 410*l.* 2*s.* 0¾*d.*, and the second 453*l.* 14*s.* 10¾*d.*, that the total amount be paid to Col. John Barkstead. [*I.* 75, *p.* 459.]

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July ? **82.** Report by the Committee for maimed soldiers, widows, and orphans, that by several Acts and Ordinances 38,200*l.* a year, besides the ½ of fines in the excise, about 2,000*l.* was granted them, and paid to John Bressey, treasurer, for their use, and that of Ely House and the Savoy. That on the late Ordinance for bringing all public revenue into the Exchequer, the payments are stopped, and 6,000 persons are sinking for want of supply. Request for an order for payment of 770*l.* weekly, being 40,040*l.* a year, which is as little as will carry on the relief. [1 *page.*]

July 31. Order in Council that the Excise Commissioners and the Treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall pay John Bressey such moneys as are charged thereon for relief of widows and maimed soldiers, the late Ordinance notwithstanding. Approved 7 Aug. [*I.* 75, *p.* 460.]

July 31. **83.** Petition of Thomas and Wm. Lower to the President and Council, for a pass for Wm. Lower and John Clark, attorney for Thos. Lower, into the Low Countries, where they have an estate, real and personal, left them by their kinsman, Nich. Lower, which is unsettled by reason of the late wars, of which they desire to take an account. [½ *page.*]

July 31. Order thereon granting the pass. [*I.* 75, *p.* 461. *Drawn* 1 *Aug.*; *I.* 113, *p.* 27, *I.* 112, p. 47.]

July 31. **84.** Petition of Chas. Waldegrave to Council, for a pass to travel beyond seas. Has had one from the late Council of State, but returned to England on his father's desire, and now wishes to travel again, to gain experience in the customs beyond seas. [1 *page.*]

July 31. Order thereon granting him a pass. [*I.* 75, *p.* 461. *Drawn* 1 *Aug.*; *I.* 112, *p.* 46, *I.* 113, *p.* 27.] *Annexing,*

85. I. *Pass of the Council of State for him to go beyond seas with Rob. Godfrey, his servant,* 7 *July* 1653 *; registered at Dover* 20 *July, by Rob. Day, deputy clerk of the passage.* [1 *page.*]

Notes of petitions all in *I.* 92, referred to the Committee of Petitions, reported by Mayor, with the orders of Council thereon, all in *I.* 75, viz. :—

Sir John Thorowgood, for a life annuity of 100*l.*, as pensioner to the late King, with arrears of 150*l.*, as certified by the Committee for Inspections. To be allowed 250*l.* for his many good services, and recommended to Parliament for employment. Approved 7 Aug. [*No.* 145, *pp.* 458, 472.]

Eliz. Farely, widow, for payment of 406*l.* 6*s.* arrears of her husband, who died in Ireland. Allowed 5*l.* above her pension of 4*s.* a week from the Ely House and Savoy Commissioners, to bear her charges to her family in Cornwall. Approved 7 Aug. [*No.* 132, *pp.* 458, 472.]

Eliz. Parnell, widow, for 20*l.* towards her 2 husbands' arrears, slain in the service, and she will respite the rest 7 years. Order that 5*l.* be advanced her on her weekly pension allowed by the Committee for Ely House and Savoy Hospital. Approved 7 August. [*No.* 80, *pp.* 458, 472.]

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Nath. Tiderleigh, for reimbursement of moneys paid for Ireland, 154*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* Order on a report from Gen Blake, on a former reference,—that he spent 59*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.* in impressing mariners and sending them to the fleet, and conveying letters &c. to the fleet and forces in Ireland; also 94*l.* 13*s.* 3*d.*, beside 90*l.* received, in fitting out the Philip, sent with men and horses to the army in Ireland,—that the total 154*l.* 18*s.* 8*d.* be paid him from the receipt of Excise, the late order for bringing all payments into one treasury notwithstanding. Approved 7 August. [No. 18, *pp.* 458, 472.]

Governor and corporation of the poor of London, for consideration of an Ordinance annexed, concerning the manner of elections. Referred to Parliament, the method for elections being settled by Act of Parliament. [*No.* 166, *p.* 459.]

Master wardens and assistants of God's gift college, Dulwich, for liberty to choose their fellows, according to their statutes. Referred to Parliament, as Council thinks not fit to make any order therein. [*No.* 153, *p.* 459.]

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1. Approval of an Ordinance for satisfaction of grants of lands in Scotland by Commissioners of Parliament, and for satisfaction of those to whom lands have been given by Parliament, and for payment of the arrears of Col. Horton; in which is inserted a clause, according to an order of his Highness and Council, for lands of 200*l.* a year to be settled on Col. Fitch, and of 250*l.* a year on John Weaver.

3. Order on petition of Richard Fairclough, minister at Mellis, co. Somerset, that the yearly augmentation of 60*l.* be allowed him, and paid out of Burnham Rectory by the Trustees for Maintenance of Ministers. Approved 3 Aug.

5. The report from the Committee on John Grace's petition agreed with; his transplantation to be spared, and he suffered to reside on his estate in Kilkenny, on such composition not more than $\frac{1}{6}$ thereof, as the Irish Commissioners shall think fit.

17. The arrears of Sir Sydney Montague, as a master of requests to the late King, viz., 350*l.* for $3\frac{1}{2}$ years ending Michaelmas 1643, to be paid out of the public revenue.

19. An Ordinance to be prepared for Fauconberg to pay the sums ordered to Sir John Thorowgood, Col. Barkstead. Rob. Coytmor, and John Lyneall, the late Ordinance for payments into one Treasury notwithstanding.

20. The lieutenant of the Tower to allow Joseph Grunda, who was sent a prisoner from Pendennis Castle, 1*s.* a day from the time of his commitment; and to try and learn why he travelled into those parts. Approved 7 Aug.

22. Lambert and Desborow to report to-morrow, his Highness' answer concerning repurchasing the Little Park at Windsor.

25. The Ordinance for settling the government of Jersey to be considered to-morrow.

29. A report from the Committee on Mrs. Anne Howard's petition read.

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30. To advise an Ordinance authorising Mr. Nightingale to pay 96*l.* in his hands for repair of Pidley Church. Approved 14 Aug.

31. Order on petition of the mayor and jurates of Sandwich,—showing that 60*l.* a year was granted by the late Committee for Plundered Ministers out of the revenue of the late Dean and Chapter of Christ Church, Canterbury, for better support of the ministry of the town, which contains 3 parishes, one vacant and 2 under sequestration, and that Robert Webber is for the present settled there and another expected if the augmentation is continued, —that Mr. Webber be confirmed as minister there, and the augmentation continued by the Committee for Maintenance of Ministers, with arrears. That the mayor, jurates, and common council of the town gather the tithes, &c. of the churches, and their arrears, and pay the augmentation and other dues to Mr. Webber and such other ministers as shall be appointed. Also that Lieut.-Col. Kelsey, governor of Dover Castle, learn what is in arrear of the duties, and see them paid, or in default, report the persons refusing to Council. Approved 7 August.

32. 11 warrants for payment of money signed. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 457–461.]

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86. Edw. Raddon to Col. Sydenham, Whitehall. Considering your weighty affairs, I would not mis-spend your time, were not my request of public concern; but as the interest of many precious ones is wrapped up in it, I beg you to represent it to Council. [1 *page.*]

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87. Reference by the Protector of the petition (missing) of Phil. Richart and Capt. Badiley, to General Desborow and the Admiralty Committee, to consider the most effectual way for obtaining right to be done to the petitioners and others in their condition, and for regaining the English captives at Tunis and elsewhere from slavery. They are to confer with Gen. Blake about its speedy execution. [*Copy,* ⅔ *page.*]

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The Assistance, Leith Road.

88. Capt. Thos. Sparling to the Admiralty Committee. I delivered the 30 boxes of money to the deputy treasurer at Leith, and am going to ply upon the North of Scotland, by order of General Monk, to surprise 2 of the enemies' small men-of-war cruising about Pentland and the coasts, but they get into harbours where our ships cannot approach them. The only ship here fit for the work is the Primrose, which is ordered to attend about the garrison of Ayr, and the service suffers for want of other vessels fit for the purpose. [1 *page.*]

July ?

89. Petition of divers well affected citizens of Norwich to the Protector. According to the instrument of government and proclamation, we met, as required by the sheriffs, Chris. Jay and Roger Mingay, to choose 2 members. The first nominee was Col. Chas. George Cocke, and no man opposing him, he was elected, whereon he desisted from standing for Norfolk. The second named was Thos. Barrett, against

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whom Bernard Church was set up, and the vote yielded to him, and the election was supposed to be over. But the old spirit wrought again, and the sheriffs proclaimed by trumpet and bellman (never before used means) that all freemen might come and vote at another place, and set up a stranger, John Hobart, who was followed by the disaffected, with a crew of hostlers, tapsters, &c., some no freemen, with many indigent people; and then the sheriffs declared Col. Cocke must go to the poll or lose, though many men had departed, and thus the instrument of government was slighted. We beg conformation of Cocke's election. [*Copy.* 123 *signatures.*]

July ? **90.** Observations concerning the late King's servants and creditors, being a statement that, on orders prefixed of Council, 30 June, 1654, and of the committee of Council to whom the relief of the servants and creditors of the late King, was committed, 4 July,—that the trustees for their sale send in to the said Committee a list of the said goods which were reserved for the State, what has been delivered and the value, and what borrowed for the Navy—a list was brought in, and a committee of assistants appointed to examine the whole business.

The list is not authentic, for it speaks of goods brought into the Tower with the Scottish records which never were committed to the Trustees for sale of the late King's goods, and there are other mistakes.

The business is a close design, the contrivers of which, Mr. Oldisworth and Wm. Thomas, do not appear. Those who appear for the servants and creditors are Thos. Manley, clerk of the kitchen, who should not be admitted because he went to Oxford, but he pretends to be a discoverer; Mr. Jackson of the sequestration office, who has bought at a low scale many warrants of the creditors, &c.; and Mr. Hooke, keeper of the Tennis Court, St. James's, who has had more than his due from the Committee for sale of goods, Mr. Rous being his kinsman.

In 1651, Oldisworth and Thomas procured a Committee of Parliament to examine the Committee for sale of the goods, but nothing that was presented was proved then, nor in 1652 and 1653 when the Committee was petitioned against.

Now they have renewed their petition to the Protector, a Committee of assistants is appointed, and all will be gone over again. It should be considered,

(1.) That there are many good people, widows, and orphans for whom nothing has been done.
(2.) Divers in the 2nd list have not had all their money.
(3.) The petitioners are thus qualified;
  i. Many are paid till 29 Sept. 1642.
  ii. Many are delinquents and should not be paid.
  iii. Many claim more than their due, as Wm. Thomas 4,000*l.* instead of 400*l.*
  iv. Many claim pensions and debts not intended to be relieved by the first Act of Parliament.

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v. Many claim debts from the Committee who ought to be paid otherwise, so that 20,000*l.* will not satisfy their demands, whereas 4,000*l.* ought to do it if properly managed.

Honest men will be appointed, but many do not understand the government of the late King's family, and caution should be used to know what every servant had when the King was absent as well as present, and certificates will be produced which will mislead, and cause the Committee for sale of the goods to make many errors, for not one of them had been an officer in the house; and do what you can, unless you employ knowing men, you will be abused. [2¾ *pages.*]

July? **91.** Note that Thos. Hall of Donnington is the common solicitor for those rioters in Lincolnshire, and an opposer of all public works which are the enriching of the nation, is a mean person, and is only chosen knight of the shire for his factious humour; also that Sir Wm. Ermyn and John Hatcher are much fitter. [*Scrap.*]

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Aug. 1. **1.** Petition of the well-affected inhabitants of Tiverton to Council. We met of right to choose our burgess, and elected Major John Blackmore, but were overpowered by numbers, many of whom were disabled to vote, having acted against Parliament since 1641; they elected Rob. Shapcote, a field officer under the late King, who, since the reducing of the country, has endeavoured to support a malignant minister, and discountenanced the interests of Parliament. We beg that we, who have most of us served Parliament in person, may not be debarred of our rights, but that Blackmore may be admitted to sit. [1 *page,* 4 *seals, but no signatures.*]

[Aug. 1.] **2.** Petition of Peter Bere, sen., Sam. Foote, and the well-affected of Tiverton, co. Devon, to the Committee for elections. Being employed by the town to present you the petition against Shapcote, we have exhibited a charge and presented a petition against him, but cannot prove it without an order to summon witnesses. We beg one to summon John Chishall, pastor, John Ware, Phil. Bradmead, and — Orchard, to make good the charge. [⅔ *page.*] *Annexing,*

2. I. *Exceptions against the election of Rob. Shapcote. Some who bore arms against Parliament engaged men to vote for him. Some such came to the town hall at the election, and called his party together, and threatened the well-affected who came to vote.*

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None of his electors were godly, few civilized, but one has served Parliament. Most of them took an oath to assist the late King, especially against Lyme and Plymouth, when they stood out.

Shapcote was a field officer, and defended the King's interest by argument in Exeter. He did not come in to the Parliament till the Earl of Essex was like to carry the West before him. He has always defended the cavaliers, and has expressed great affection for Mr. Newte, so that the people expect their old sequestrated minister back, and will hardly notice Mr. Rowth, though settled by his Highness' order.

He is a great promoter of gaming, frequents alehouses and taverns, bowling and cock matches, and draws malignants together to them. [1 *page.*]

2. II. *List of Rob. Shapcote's* 47 *electors, and notes of their services to the King. Also note that* ⅔ *of Major Blackmore's electors bore arms for Parliament in all the late troubles, and the rest assisted.* [1 *page.*]

2. III. *Deposition of Edm. Bere and And. Hurd to Shapcote's being at a bowling match till midnight with other cavaliers, having* 3 *lanterns, and then sitting drinking and card-playing till* 4 *in the morning.* [⅔ *page.*]

2. IV. *Deposition of John Chishall, minister of Tiverton, that he was reproached by Shapcote for censuring him in the pulpit, though having only spoken against the disaffected, and that Shapcote threatened him, and made him fear to go about.* 18 *Aug.* 1654. [1 *page.*]

2. V. *Deposition by Lewis Stucley that Shapcote maintained the King's cause against him by argument in Exeter, and is said to have been a major under Sir John Acland for the King.* 19 *Aug.* 1654. [¼ *page.*]

Aug. 1. **3.** Petition of John Legate, minister of Barnham, Suffolk, to the Protector. As you encouraged me to hope for help, I represent that my weight of debts, and the pressing of my creditors compel me to withdraw, not only from my relations, but from my ministry, lest I be deprived of liberty. My debts were chiefly caused by venturing my estate for the common cause in the late troubles, when I was faithful in the midst of temptation.

I beg a yearly allowance from the trustees for maintenance of ministers, with arrears from their investiture, to be charged on rents due but detained, that I may quiet the clamours of my creditors, and return to my charge. I shall pray that God may still be a wall of fire about you, carry you safe through present dangers, and give you a public spirit and upright head to carry on the great work He has called you to. With special reference thereon to Council. 1 June 1654. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

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3. I. *Statement of his case and petition, urging precedents of allowances apart from augmentations granted by the ministers' trustees, as* 200*l. a year to Mr. Dury,* 60*l. to Sebastian Smith,* 100*l. to Mr. Hartlib, and pensions to ministers' widows. Though the revenues are overcharged, they improve by the falling in of leases, and the cessation of grants to unworthy ministers, who cannot obtain the certificate of the Committee for approbation of ministers.*

Legate was one of those who threw the first stone against the prelatical hierarchy, and the earliest engaged in this great cause, when it was expensive and hazardous to appear, and has prosecuted it with zeal, to the neglect of himself, and thus contracted great debts, and his benefice does not give him a house to dwell in. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 1. Reference thereon in Council to Sir A. A. Cooper, Mr. Strickland, and Major-Gen. Skippon. [*I.* 75, *p.* 463.]

Aug. 1. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

3. Order on report from the Commissioners on the account of Whitelock's embassy to Sweden, to advise that the articles of peace agreed on by him and the Commissioners from Sweden be ratified under the Great Seal.

4. Mackworth, Jones, Strickland and Pickering to consider the regulation of the law formerly printed, and out of it to offer what they judge expedient, and to prepare an Ordinance accordingly.

5. The Ordinance of indemnity to the English Protestants of Munster, Ireland, to be printed and published.

8. The house of the Earl of Chesterfield having become a receptacle for disaffected persons, the weekly allowance granted to him and his lady is to cease.

12. Mackworth reports from the Committee several clauses to be added to the Ordinance for regulating the jurisdiction of the Chancery Court; the Ordinance read, amended, passed, and ordered to be printed and published.

13. Fiennes reports amendments to the Ordinance appointing a Committee of Adventurers for lands in Ireland for determining differences, which was read, passed, and ordered to be printed and published. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 463, 464.]

Aug. 1. Dunster, co. Somerset. 4. J. Garret to Mr. Pocock, Strand. Amongst the burgesses elected for next Parliament is Chas. Staynings, of whom I have received the enclosed information, with request to recommend it to some one who wishes to promote the public good, as sad dangers will arise from corrupt members sitting in Parliament. They want the opinion of some one of the Council, on the following queries, as in the order for return of writs, it appears that the major part of Council are to approve the qualifications of the persons elected.

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1. Whether, if this charge be proved, it will disable Mr. Staynings from sitting, for else it was ridiculous to prosecute it.

2. How the case had best be proved; it must be either by a sudden and strict search about his person, &c., for the libels and verses named, or else by examination of witnesses, who being friends and relations, will only answer on oath, which would be chargeable for a private purse.

3. Whether this should not be prosecuted before the sitting down of Parliament, or it may prove tedious and of uncertain issue. I beg a speedy answer, when I will give the name of the informer. [1⅔ *pages.*] *Enclosing.*

4. I. *Information that Chas. Staynings is a malignant, and has shown disaffection by discourses and writings, bringing odium on Parliament's proceedings, especially about the execution of the late King, whose book so prevailed on his judgment, that he believes him the justest and best prince that ever governed this nation. He composed several verses in praise of this book, which book he always carries about him, and reads to many. He composed a libel upon the subscribing the engagement, which has these lines.*

"Then let's subscribe, and go thorough stitch,
As long as we are governed by a soldier's switch."

On the election of the Protector, he wrote:—

"I laugh at wondering at the act that's done
And at disputes of dissolution.
Of th' lawfulness of th' act, and why?
Without, against all just authoritie.
There's none for laws and against power will speak.
I plainly see, but when their side's too weak.
The King would fain have purg'd the house of five,
Because they stole the King's perogative.
The States would needs the rotten members out,
Because they hindered what they went about.
Fairfax inverts both houses into one,
And that's as bad's a dissolution.
A Cromwell makes all people take an oath,
T'were pity two houses should hold them both.
For which good service, and a trick withal
The pack remaining make him General.
And in requital of their good intent,
He constitutes another Parliament.
The law that brought the upper house to yours
Is sure the same that put you out of doors.
And why should that be told so great a sin
Without the doors, which was not so within?
To seven years' service you could well agree,
And are you angry now he sets you free?
If you'll not take the freedom he does give,
Pray be content to serve him while you live.

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The thing which Parliament did first intend
The General hath brought unto an end.
For as at first it was your good intent
To bring delinquents to due punishment,
Ill counsellors, enemies to the State,
Whore-masters, drunkards, and a juggling pate,
The army now hath done't, and when they went,
They found them in the house of Parliament.
Now old reformers for delinquents go,
For here are those that dare recall them so;
And old delinquents may come home again
And show their faces, just like honest men.
An old Divine must for new doctrines seek
Which are not found in th' Hebrew nor the Greek;
And that's the reason why the gifted teachers,
Impounding of the word, excel our preachers.
Now to reward the army for this thing,
Let all be lords, and let my lord be king;
And if the king and lords do please to rule,
Who votes for Commons I will vote a fool."
[2 *pages.*]

Aug. 2. **5.** Petition of Col. David Barclay to the Protector. I am a just creditor to the Earl Marshal [of Scotland] for 1,500*l.* borrowed by him in July 1648, to pay debts contracted before 1648; but he being one of the persons exempted from pardon, his estate is not to be charged with anything done by him since April 1648; therefore this sum being the most of my subsistence, I shall be in a worse case than most of the excepted persons, which I have not deserved by any opposition to Parliament or you, since 1648, for though frequently urged, I refused to engage in the late war. In 1652, I was a commissioner for electing the deputies to perfect the union of the nations, and have always been ready to promote the Parliament's interest, applying both to Major-Gen. Deane, and Col. Lilburne, when commanders-in-chief. I beg your order to the Commissioners for determining the claims on the estates of excepted persons, to allow this debt, though beyond the date allowed by the rules. With holograph reference thereon by the Protector to Council, Major-Gen. Lambert to take care of it. [1½ *pages.*]

Aug. 2. Order in Council that the Commissioners at Leith examine the matter, and if they find that petitioner had no hand in the late war against the Commonwealth, and that the rest of his petition is true, they are to order the debt to be paid. The Committee for determining claims on Scotch estates to observe what the Leith Commissioners shall order. [*I.* 78, *p.* 465.]

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4. To prepare an Ordinance for settling post fines. Mackworth to bring it in.

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5. Lambert, Desborow, Sydenham, and Jones, to prepare an establishment for the armies in England, Scotland, and Ireland.

6. Mackworth, Montague, and Jones, to bring in an Ordinance to empower the Irish Commissioners to compound with all Protestant delinquents there not excepted from pardon, provided the fines are not less than 2 years' value of their estates as they were in 1640.

11, 12. His Highness nominating to Council the Lords Commissioners Whitelock, Widdrington, and Lisle, the Lords Chief Justices Rolles, and St. John, Ed. Montague, Wm. Sydenham, and Wm. Masham to be Treasury Commissioners,—resolved that each one is approved by Council. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 464–466.]

Aug. 2. Whitehall. Pres. Lawrence to the Lord Mayor and aldermen of London. His Highness and Council hear that a great part of the first 3 of the last 6 months' assessment for London is still in arrear, which will hinder public service, and subject the defaulters to free quarter. We therefore desire you to get in the arrear speedily. [*I.* 75, *p.* 465.]

Aug. 3. **6.** Petition of John Langham, late alderman of London, to the Protector. On complaint of pressure on my person and estate, you ordered the Council of State to hear my counsel about the import from Holland of some silks and cotton yarn, exported hence in the time of my restraint. On encouragement, I told my factors beyond seas to send the goods, hoping for my order before their arrival; but the time of Council is so taken up that I cannot obtain an audience. Pray grant me license, if they arrive, to receive them, on payment of customs, and on bond to stand to the order of Council, without danger of confiscation. With order thereon that Council speedily determine the case, but if the goods arrive before, petitioner may receive them on bond, on the terms named in this petition. 31 July 1654. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 3. Order in Council on the question negativing the petition. [*I.* 75, *p.* 467.]

Aug. 3. **7.** Petition of Ant. Mildmay to the Protector. I was employed by the late Parliament and Council of State to attend the late King's children at Carisbrook Castle, Isle of Wight, with certain allowances, which were in arrears when Henry Stuart was sent beyond seas. The late Council of State ordered them to be paid by the Revenue Committee, and that Committee ordered payment from the Exchequer, but there is a restriction of payment there. As I contracted debts to maintain the children, I beg you will take off the restraint, and order my 269*l.* 19*s.* arrears. With reference thereon to Council, 14 April 1654. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 3. Reference thereon by Council to Thos. Fauconberg, to state what is in arrear to Mildmay of the sum allowed by Parliament for maintenance of the late King's children. [*I.* 75, *p.* 467.]

Aug. 3. **8.** Petition of Isaac Preston, bailiff, and other aldermen and common councilmen of Great Yarmouth, to Council. On receipt of a writ from the sheriff of Norfolk to the bailiffs, we published to the

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aldermen and common councilmen for the election of our 2 members of Parliament to be at the Guildhall on 6 July, when we met, and chose Col. Wm. Goffe and Thos. Dunne, an alderman, it being the ancient custom of the borough to elect the burgesses in common council. But other freemen of the place, who are dissatisfied with its present government, proceeded in a popular way to elect 2 other burgesses, which we consider of dangerous consequence to the future peace of the place. Signed by Thos. Bendish, Sam. Shipdham, and Wm. Emperour. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 3. Note that divers of the petitioners were called before the Council, and the Lord President informed them that the matter is proper for Parliament to determine, but Council will try to preserve their just right and the interest of honest men. [*I.* 75, *p.* 468.]

Aug. 3. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

5. Order on a report from the clerks of Council [*see* 31 *March, p.* 61 *suprà*] that the following sums be paid out of Council's contingencies to the clerks, &c., of the Parliament Committees, viz. :—

	£	s.	d.
Thos. Lawes, clerk of the Trade Committee - - - - -	38	8	0
Chas. Thetford, doorkeeper - -	23	7	4
Jas. Bagster, messenger - - -	11	10	0
Wm. Dalby, clerk of the Prisoners' Committee - - - - -	50	0	0
Wm. Thompson, clerk of the Committee for Advance of Learning - - -	30	0	0
	153	5	4

Annexing,

9. I. *Report of the clerks to the effect of the above order.* [1 *sheet.*]

9. II. *Draft of the above report, noted as read* 27 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

9. III. *Notes of calculation of Lawes' salary at* 100*l. a year, &c.* [1 *page.*]

6. An Ordinance for 200*l.* to be paid to Mary Logan by the Commissioners at Leith, being approved by the Protector, passed.

7. An Ordinance for the better support of the Universities in Scotland read, and referred to Lambert, Sydenham, Pickering, Mackworth, Fiennes, Skippon, and Strickland, to speak with the Scotch Ministers and others on the present debate in Council, and report.

8. Lambert reports an Ordinance touching the fines imposed, by the Ordinance of pardon and grace to the people of Scotland, on several persons therein mentioned, which was read, and referred to the above-mentioned Commissioners.

10. To advise an Ordinance authorising the allowance of 2,000*l.* as doubled money to John Clerke.

11. An Ordinance to raise 600*l.* for Ed. Elvines, alderman of Worcester, out of delinquents' estates in that county, read and committed.

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12. The Treasury Commissioners to consider the best way to transfer the receipts at Haberdashers' Hall and Goldsmiths' Hall to the public Treasury.

14. Pickering, Strickland, and Jones to direct the method of paying out of the 10,000*l.* ordered for Council's contingencies, and to see the plate served in for his Highness and the money due on Francis Downham's warrant for household stuff first satisfied.

16. Falconbridge to audit Col. Rob. Hammond's account for money received from the public revenue, and to report. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 467–469.]

Aug. 3. Ravensworth Castle.

10. Wm. Vane, to his brother, Sir Hen. Vane, jun., Bellew, Lincolnshire, to be forwarded by the Grantham postmaster to Boston, and thence sent as directed. I send an abstract of Latham's account of the arrears left him to collect, and rents received last Lady Day. My father is resolved to keep me here till after Michaelmas, when I will look after your rents, and hope then to keep you company when you go southward.

Sir Arthur [Hesilrigg] has been in these parts a fortnight, and seems to have been chosen both in Leicestershire and Newcastle against his will, and is in great straits whether to act in Parliament or keep out, but will stay hereabouts till Michaelmas. Some report you are chosen for Lincolnshire.

You will know the considerable success our forces have lately had against the Scotch under Middleton. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

10. I. *Note of corn and hay brought in, or still to bring in, on certain farms. With marginal note* [*by Wm. Vane*]. 4 *Aug.* 1654. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 4.

11. Petition of Wm. Dutton, prisoner to the footguard in the Mews, to the Protector, for the liberty of his own house, on bail. Coming from France 8 weeks since with his Highness' pass, was apprehended, brought to London, and sent to the Mews. Has long had quartan ague, and now has scurvy, gout, dropsy, and stone, which will increase by restraint, and render his life most miserable. With reference to Council's speedy consideration. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 4.

12. Petition of Jos. Sheldon, prisoner with the Serjeant-at-arms, to the Protector, for discharge. I have been 10 weeks close prisoner by your order, endangering health and fortune; as I subsist only by my trade, I shall be undone if my chargeable imprisonment continue; I have always been unblameable, and never acted against government. With reference thereon to Council. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 4.

13. Petition of Thos. Bunce, prisoner in the Tower, to the Protector. Thanks for the mingled justice and mercy in his liberty on bail. His restraint has taught him that he ought to walk inoffensively, but its continuance makes him lose much precious time, which might be spent in showing his affection to government. Begs liberty, that he may wipe away some of the tears of a tender mother. With reference thereon to Council. [1 *sheet.*]

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Aug. 4. **14.** Petition of John Digby to the Protector and Council. I am bound in 500*l.* to attend your further orders, whereby I neglect my own affairs, having 600*l.* of corn growing and nobody to look to it. I pray a hearing to prove my innocency, or discharge on begging your pardon for not resenting the injuries done Sir W. Farmer as much as you expected, and as I now think I was bound to have done. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 4. Order thereon for his release, and for delivery to him of the bond to attend Council's pleasure touching the differences between him and Sir Wm. Farmer, Bart. [*I.* 75, *p.* 470.]

Aug. 4. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on report from the Commissioners for preservation of customs on Col. John Clerke's letter (referred to them June 21),—concerning the proceedings of Lazarus Bramble, owner of the Hercules of the Isle of Wight, laden with coals, seized at Guernsey, because he directed it to St. Malo, contrary to the sale of the lading;—that although there appeared a fraudulent intention to deceive, yet as it was not executed, the ship and lading be discharged, and Bramble be at liberty to unlade it where he please. Approved 7 Aug. *Annexing,*

15. I. *Report on which this order is founded.* 27 *July* 1654. [1 *page.*]

3. Order that the Commissioners for Customs pay ½ the subsidy for goods that have been or shall be exported since 30 March last, on due proof as directed by the 2nd article in the instructions appended to the book of rates, though they have been or may be sold, or of any such goods exported, provided their form or nature has not been altered.

The Committee for preservation of Customs to be authorised to issue warrants as they might have done before 24 June last for disposing of the Algiers duty, and the new Friday 4th coals (*sic*) granted for relief of the poor. Approved 7 Aug.

4. Order on report from the Committee on the petition of the Committee for the accounts of the Commonwealth, that on account of service done, 100*l.* apiece be paid to John Greensmith, Hen. Robinson, and Pierce Robinson, members of the Committee, to be paid out of the Committee's Treasury. For their future satisfaction, and for service, and other matters in the petition, they may appeal to Parliament.

5, 6. Desborow and Sydenham to tell Alderman Fowke the sense of Council on to-day's debate concerning him, viz.: that in consideration of his losses and sufferings, 3 Charles, for his refusal, in obedience to Parliament, to pay tonnage and poundage, 5,000*l.* be assigned him from the fines set by the Act of pardon for Scotland, in course after previous claims thereon of Col. Horton, and if any part remain unpaid, it shall be provided for some other way.

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7. An Ordinance for better support of the universities and public preachers in Scotland read, amended, and agreed to.

8. An Ordinance to allow certain debts and payments to the University of Glasgow read, agreed to, and passed.

9. Also an Ordinance for setting up lectures in Scotland.

10. The Ordinance passed Aug. 1 about a Committee for Adventurers for lands in Ireland, not being yet printed, amendments moved by Maj.-Gen. Lambert agreed to. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 470–472.]

Aug. $\frac{5}{15}$. Antwerp.

16. William Marquis of Newcastle to Sec. Nicholas. Remind his Majesty to renew to me those offices and places that his late father gave me, that others may not pass them, his Majesty not knowing of it.

They are:—

Lord Lieutenant of co. Notts.

Lord Lieutenant of Sherwood Forest, which that worthy person the Earl of Clare has had from Parliament since my misfortune.

Custos rotulorum of co. Notts.

Custos rotulorum of co. Northumberland.

If it please God his Majesty comes to his throne, which I make no doubt of, I may certainly take back all my lands which the rebels have got possession of, without troubling his Majesty, even though my traitorous servants have sold them to rebels, for the law would give them me; but I name this that an exception may be made for them, if the King should give to any courtier or others any of the rebels who have any of my land. [2 *pages, holograph.*]

Aug. 7.

17. Petition of Alex. Blaire, tailor, of Rood Lane, London, to the Protector. I have been prisoner in the Tower since 12 June, because letters were casually or maliciously directed to me from persons I never knew. I have told all I could imagine about them to Dr. More, that he may inform you. When I was examined by you and Council, all my books of accounts, bills, &c. were taken, and and now I cannot follow my calling, and my wife and children have nothing to subsist on. I beg release on bail, and restoration of my books and papers. With order thereon granting the petition. [1 *sheet.*]

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18. Petition of Joanna Savile to Council. His Highness granted me $\frac{1}{3}$ of what I should discover, for my great sufferings by fire, &c., and for a debt of 6,075*l.* I have real discoveries to make, one being of Crown lands worth 500*l.* a year, but as I know not where to bring them, I pray you to appoint a Committee to receive them; I have been at charges 3 months since obtaining the order. [1 *page.*]

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19. Petition of Hum. Bagaley, prisoner in the Tower, to the Protector, to be brought to trial, or released and acquitted. Was taken from Highgate 21 May, and sent to the Tower for high treason, where he has lain at great charge and prejudice to his health, without examination or accusation. Has never offended against government, and there must have been misinformation. With reference thereon to Council. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

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19. I. *Warrant by Council to Col. Barkstead, Lieutenant of the Tower, to receive and keep him prisoner for high crimes against his Highness and the State. Whitehall,* 21 *May* 1654. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 7. **20.** Petition of And. George, dancing master, prisoner under Col. Goffe's guards, to the Protector, for release. Coming out of France 2 months ago, was taken on suspicion of being one in the late plot, but never examined, and lies forgotten, being a poor man, and living only by his profession. Is innocent of any plot against his Highness or the State. With reference thereon to Council. [1 *sheet.*]

Aug. 7. **21.** Petition of Theodore Naudin, M.D., to the Protector. I have been imprisoned since 23 May last, whereby I and my wife and little children are reduced to extreme poverty. No true information can be given about me of designs against you or the State. I revealed all I knew of the French agent's designs, and acknowledged my imprudence in not telling you of it. I will humble myself in the lowest manner for any offence, and I am accused of several other heavy ones besides this. I beg release on bail, with liberty to follow my calling. With reference thereon to Council. [1 *sheet.*]

Aug. 7. Approval by the Protector of 16 orders, 17 July to 4 Aug. [*I.* 75, *p.* 472.]

Aug. 8. **22.** Petition of Dorcas, widow of Dr. John Braine, minister of Soake, near Winchester, to the Protector. Her husband was sent to Soake by a Parliament Committee, and remained till his death. The Sequestration Committee were ordered to pay him 100*l.* a year, of which 40*l.* was due at his death. Begs payment thereof, and an allowance from the stipend for herself and 8 small children, her creditors having taken all she has. With reference thereon to Council, 31 July 1654. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

22. I. *Order by the County Committee for payment to Braine of* 90*l. arrears of his augmentation, as his family are necessitous, and it would be dishonourable to Parliament if he were not paid.* 3 *Nov.* 1649. *With note of his receipt of* 50*l. thereof.* [1 *page.*]

22. II. *Order of the Committee for Plundered Ministers that his augmentation be paid from Whorwell rectory, sequestered from Sir Edw. Nicholas, delinquent.* 26 *Dec.* 1649. [⅔ *page.*]

22. III. *Like order on his petition for his arrears to be paid from the said rectory, Mr. Woodward, late minister of Crux Easton, being first paid.* 19 *June* 1650. [1 *page.*]

22. IV. *Like order for payment therefrom of* 40*l. arrears to Mr. Braine.* 16 *Oct.* 1650. [⅔ *page.*]

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Aug. 8. Order thereon in Council that Falconbridge pay her the 40*l.* arrears, and that Major, Rous, and Sydenham consider either to settle a pension of 30*l.* a year on her from the revenues for maintenance of ministers, or to relieve her from discoveries some other way, and report. Ordinance passed 10 Aug. Approved 14 Aug. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 476, 478, 486.]

Aug. 8. Declaration in Council that as several licenses have been granted the Earl of Clanricard to continue in England, in order to his transport beyond seas, but he has desired a prolongation, having been unable to dispatch his business, he is to be suffered to remain in England, without let or molestation, till 1 Oct., he acting nothing prejudicial to the State. [*I.* 112, *p.* 50.]

Aug. 8. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Admiralty Committee to issue a warrant to pay to Wm. Hempson, deputy treasurer to Gen. Blake's squadron, for the fleet going into the Mediterranean, 1,000*l.*, and to provide letters of credit for the commander of the fleet, to take up sums not exceeding 11,000*l.*, while they remain abroad; the Navy treasurer to pay the money on the letters of credit. Approved and passed 11 Aug.

3. The Treasury Commissioners to consider where 8,000*l.* may best be charged, to make up the 5,000*l.* to be paid out of the customs to 13,000*l.*, to complete the provision for his Highness' household to 9 months, ending 16 Sept. 1654.

5. The 36*l.* a year augmentation allowed to Nath. Brewster, late minister of Neatishead and Irstead, Norfolk, to be continued to John Leverington, a person of eminent gifts, now minister there, and the Trustees for maintenance of ministers to pay it on certificate from the Committee for approbation of public preachers. Approved 19 Aug. *Annexing,*

23. I. *Certificate by the Trustees for maintenance of ministers, in pursuance of orders from the Committee for reformation of the Universities of* 26 *Sept. and* 27 *Nov.* 1650, *that* 34*l. be granted for increase of maintenance to Nath. Brewster, viz.:* 11*l. from Neatishead, reserved to the late Bishop of Norwich;* 10*l. from Attlebridge rectory; and* 13*l. from North Elmham rectory, his present maintenance being but* 60*l. a year.* 31 *Dec.* 1651. [¾ *page, copy.*]

6. The Ordinance for support of the Scotch Universities and public preachers being approved with some alterations, passed, and to be printed.

7. The instructions for Gen. Monk, Commander-in-chief of the forces in Scotland, to be put in execution with the advice of Col. Geo. Fenwick and Capt. Charles Howard, read and agreed to.

8. The whole number of his Highness' lifeguard to be 45, besides officers, all with increased pay; captain, 20*s.* a day, soldiers, 5*s.*, trumpeters, 4*s.*, &c. The army establishment to be altered accordingly, and the Army Committee to issue their warrants accordingly. Agreed to 11 Aug. Approved 14 Aug.

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9. The report of an Ordinance for postage of letters inland and foreign, as amended by the Committee, read, and the time settled at 3 years from June 30, 1653, and some other amendments agreed to.

11. An Ordinance for the relief of creditors and poor prisoners, with Henry Proby's name instead of — Warcup's, and the time fixed for Nov. 1, agreed to.

12. The petition of John Earl of Cassilis referred to Montague, Mackworth, and Jones, to report.

13. The Act for settling the 4 forests to be read first at the next sitting of Council.

14. Pickering and Strickland to enquire whether the prices contracted for with merchants for goods for the Protector are reasonable, and report; they include, with others of less value.

	£	s.	d.
John Stone, 6 pieces of tapestry hangings, story of Vulcan, Mars and Venus, in his Highness' lodgings at Whitehall - - - -	350	0	0
John Boulton, 5 pieces of rich arras hangings, being the 5 senses -	375	0	0
Ralph Grafton, 6 pieces of tapestry, story of Hero and Leander -	180	0	0
Clement Kinnersley, hangings, tapestry, Turkey carpets, &c. - -	168	6	0

15. Wm. Lenthall, master of the Rolls, or in his absence Wm. Ryley, to deliver to Clement Kinnersley, for his Highness, all the wardrobe goods which came out of Scotland at the taking of Stirling Castle, now in the Tower, *i.e.*, the 2 rich canopies, 3 chairs of State, 1 footstool, 6 high stools, 1 crimson velvet furniture for a bed, and divers silk curtains. Approved 19 Aug.

16. Gen. Blake to deliver to Kinnersley for his Highness' service 2 pieces of tapestry hangings—the story of Hercules—which came from Col. Walton, being lent him with other things from Somerset House. Approved 19 August.

18. An Ordinance for redress of abuses on the Thames, as amended by the Committee, agreed to.

19. **24.** Order on petition of Thos. Marshall, collector of Customs at Rye—stating that the seamen belonging to 13 French ships laden with bank fish were taken by our fleet, and have repaired from Plymouth to Rye for their passage home, having no means left for their subsistence—that Marshall allow each of them during the delay before their passage 6*d.* a day, which will be repaid out of the receipt for prize goods, and that he try to get them a passage quickly. Approved 19 August.

20. Lambert, Mackworth, Sydenham, and Montague, to consider how to ascertain the payment of the salaries to those appointed of

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the Council in Ireland; also to send to the Commissioners for approbation of public preachers, to recommend a fit person for their minister.

21. The business of Nathaniel and Thos. Young to be considered at the next sitting. [*I. pp.* 473–6.]

Aug. 8. Order by the Commissioners for appeals on Excise that, whereas by Act of 16 Sept. 1645, all merchants, importers, &c., are ordered on notice to give in accounts of goods sold, bartered, spent, or on hand; and whereas by Act of 14 Aug. 1649, the Excise Commissioners may once a year or oftener, require like accounts of importers of foreign goods; yet divers merchants trading in wines from Spain have not given in the accounts demanded, and have been summoned for arrears, whereupon they crave allowance for leakage and other accidents on their past accounts, and future assurance of the excise of wines according to tunnage:—Now all who subscribe their submission to this order this month are to be acquitted of all reckonings on former Acts, and to account in future according to the Act of 1649, and according to the entry of the tonnage of each ship, and 22 per cent to be allowed for leakage, &c. Extraordinary cases to be referred to the said Commissioners, but in general cases, no other abatements to be expected. All who subscribe hereto are to bring in 7 days a statement on oath what Spanish wines they had before 25 March 1654, and what they have imported since, and the 22 per cent. shall be allowed. Those who do not subscribe shall be proceeded against by the laws of excise, without favour or pardon. [*Excise Coll. pp.* 141–7, *Vol.* 98, *June* 1655.]

Aug. 10. Council. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Admiralty Commissioners to sit in the late Gen. Blake's room in Whitehall. The surveyors to order the rooms to be prepared.

3. Order for a warrant to the Treasury Commissioners to pay Dr. Rich. Minshall, master of Sydney College, Cambridge, the arrears of the augmentation settled by Parliament on the mastership.

8. An Ordinance for Sir John Wollaston and the former Treasurers at War, and the Treasurers for sequestration and composition to pay money on warrants from the Army Committee read, and agreed to.

9. **25, 26.** His Highness' learned counsel to consider the draft of "an Ordinance for vesting in the mayor, bailiffs, and burgesses of "Berwick on Tweed lands and tenements within the bounds of the "town, for the perpetual repair of the bridge there," and to report. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 477–478.] *Annexing,*

26. I. II. *Report by Solicitor-General Wm. Ellis, suggesting several alterations in the above Ordinance submitted to him by*

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Council, and making several queries thereon. 12 *August* 1654. [2 *copies,* 1½ *pages.*]

26. III. IV. *Answer to the doubts or queries made by Mr. Solicitor, arguing in favour of the grant of lands, as Berwick is not bound to repair the bridge, it being made by King James, and maintained by him and his son out of the Exchequer. Aug.* 1654. [2 *copies.*]

Aug. 10. **27.** Petition of Lieut. Edw. Harper, and Ensign Arnold Baxter, for the church of God in Stopford, to the Protector. God has gathered together many of his people in fellowship, and provided for them Sam. Eaton, who has been pastor there and at Duckenfield 10 years, and a famous instrument for conversion and building up; but by reason of taxes and other losses, they cannot maintain him well nor even continue their present small pittance to him. The State has granted him 40*l.* a year, but many younger men have 100*l.*, and few as little as 40*l.*, unless they have more from the place where they preach. Beg an addition to his salary. With reference thereon to Council, to direct a further allowance for him. [1 *sheet.*]

Aug. 10. **28.** Petition of Gilbert Gerard, prisoner in the Tower, and dame Mary, his wife, to the Protector. Living in co. Worcester, I came to London last Easter, on business with John Gibbons, of Covent Garden, about the sale of some of my lands to pay my debts and supply myself; but he being in Yorkshire, I should have returned home had not Mrs. Gibbons persuaded me to wait 10 days for him. When I had been here 3 weeks, I was apprehended on a crime of which I am wholly ignorant, and thereby put to great charges, and prevented prosecuting my business. I can produce my articles with Gibbons. I beg release on bail or otherwise. With reference thereon to Council, to liberate him on bail, if they judge meet. [1 *sheet.*]

Aug. 10. **29.** Petition of Rich. Willis, prisoner in the Tower, to the Protector. I have been close prisoner since 26 May last, but neither loss of liberty nor friends so burdens me as the fear of being fallen into your displeasure. I hope in your compassion that you will accept sufficient bail for my enlargement, and I will express my gratitude by obedience. Also I still beg a license to transport some Irishmen to serve the Venetians against the Turks, engaging for the faithful performance of my propositions. With reference thereon to Council. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 10. **30.** Petition of John Hippon, prisoner with the Marshal in James's garrison, to the Protector. Is very sorry to have offended, being a soldier in his Highness' own regiment and company. Begs discharge, and some allowance to pay for his diet and lodging, and will recompense his weakness with double fidelity. With reference thereon to Council. [1 *sheet.*]

Aug. 10. **31.** Petition of Edward Hudson, clerk, prisoner with the Marshal in James's garrison, to the Protector. Is contrite for his sin, as to

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obey the present higher powers ought to be the practice of all Christians. Begs that his deep sighings may be heard; is old, poor, and blind, has neither wife, child, nor near kinsman, and no means but what Providence sends him. Begs liberty, free discharge with the Marshal for diet and lodging, and some small pittance for subsistence, in imitation of Christ, who had special compassion for the blind. With reference thereon to Council. [1 *sheet.*]

Aug. 11. **32.** Petition of Rich. Griffith, late scholar in Eton College, to the Protector. I lost my preferment into King's College, Cambridge, by the designation of Mr. Mole to the first vacant place. I hear of a resolution to send to Dr. Owen, or Dr. Arrowsmith, to reserve a place for one of the Eton scholars, who might come short on Mr. Mole's account, and beg it may be bestowed on me, as being the first that should have been preferred. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 11. Pres. Lawrence to Dr. Owen, dean of Christ Church, Oxford, and Dr. Arrowsmith, master of Trinity College, Cambridge. Rich. Griffith, a person of merit, piety, and proficiency, would have obtained University preferment before now, but for his Highness' respect for Mr. Mole, whose father lost his life in the Romish inquisition for the truths of the Gospel. His Highness and Council request Griffith's preferment on the first occasion. [*I.* 175, *p.* 479.]

Aug. 11. **33, 34.** Petition of divers well-affected persons in Lancashire and Cheshire, tenants to oppressing landlords, to the Protector. We have hazarded life and all in these wars to maintain the Parliament's interest against bloody Papists and cavaliers, hoping to be set free from future bondage; but the yokes of the oppressors are not yet broken, and their malice is 7 times hotter than before. They have turned some of us out of doors, and threaten to turn out the rest, for our service to Parliament, which will depopulate the northern counties, and dishearten thousands; the redress is only in you. Let the Act for protecting tenants against oppressive landlords, read twice in the late Parliament before its dissolution, be revived and passed, or else appoint a Committee to hear the tenants, examine and certify, staying all ejections at law meantime, provided the certificates be returned before 31 Jan. 1654–5. [2 *copies. Also I.* 92, *No.* 163.]

[Aug. 11.] **35.** Petition of the tenants of Thos. Dyke of Warthole, and others co. Cumberland, to the Protector and Council. The Lord has permitted us, for our ignorance and obstinacy, to be vassals 500 years under the late monarchy of the Norman race, but he has now removed the yoke, and appointed you ruler of his people, to ease them of their oppressive burdens. In pursuance of our freedom, an Act was twice read in the late Parliament, but not passed on account of its dissolution; therefore we present to you our intolerable grievances from delinquent landlords, who lay yokes on us that would make us beggars to eternity. They aggravate our

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sorrows by the pretence that you are engaged to maintain their oppressions, but we hope you will take care—

1. That we may walk with the Lord without persecution.

2. That our Egyptian yoke may be taken off our neck. So will you be a Moses to this English Israel, and gain all hearts to loyal love and obedience. Having devoted our lives and estates to the carrying on of this great work, we beg that the intended Act before Council, solicited also by thousands in Cheshire and Lancashire, may be speedily established, or we released otherwise from the rage of our tyrants. With the names of Capt. Chas. Howard and 5 others suggested as Commissioners for examination. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

35. I. *Particulars of the oppression of the landlords alluded to, in exacting fines, and heriots, gifts of poultry, compelling labour, forbidding the felling of wood or digging for stone, &c.* [1 *sheet.*]

Aug. 11. Reference of both the preceding petitions to Sir Chas. Wolsley, Sir A. A. Cooper, Sir G. Pickering, Col. Mackworth, Maj.-Gen. Lambert, and Col. Jones, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 480.] *Annexing,*

36. I. *Report on these petitions, that the said Act be resumed, and that meanwhile Sir Geo. Booth, Bart., and* 9 *others, named for co. Chester; Sir Ralph Ashton, of Whalley, and* 13 *others for co. Lancaster; and Chas. Howard and* 6 *others, for co. Cumberland, try an accommodation between landlords and tenants, and report the cases where they fail.* [*Draft,* 2 *pp.*]

Aug. 11. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. In the draft of Gen. Monk's order, dated June 14 last, the words "or such other lands as the Lord Deputy or Council shall think fit," to be added after "lying in counties Wexford and Wicklow."

2. Jones, Mackworth, Strickland, and Sydenham to prepare and bring in an Ordinance for settling on Commissary-Gen. Reynolds so much land in Ireland as may make up 500*l.* a year.

5, 6. The Ordinances for relief of creditors and redress of abuses in the Thames, with alterations and additions by the Protector, passed, and to be printed and published.

7. An Ordinance to enable the soldiers who served in the late war to exercise any trade read, and referred to Desborow, Mackworth, Cooper, and Wolsley, to report. *Annexing,*

37. I. *Report by Mackworth and Sydenham—on the petition of several reduced officers and soldiers for leave to betake themselves to honest callings, from which they are prevented without* 7 *years' apprenticeship, by the privileges granted to corporations—that whoever has served* 3 *years between* 1642 *and* 1653 *should set up any trade of which he is capable, in any city or town, any law or custom notwithstanding; and if he be molested therefor, on proof*

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that he has served 3 *years, the jury are to find him not guilty, and the plaintiff to pay him double costs.* 4 *July* 1654. [*Draft,* 1 *page.*]

37. II. *Copy of the above.* [1 *page.*]

9. The draft of an Ordinance concerning the salaries of the Treasury officers read, and agreed to. Approved 14 Aug.

10. The officers for probate of wills to remove their office books and records from Westminster to the place in London where they were before.

11, 23. An Ordinance for empowering Commissioners for distribution of money awarded to merchants for damages sustained by the detention of their ships and goods in Denmark, read, and agreed to. Approved and passed.

12, 22. An Ordinance empowering Commissioners to appoint magistrates and counsel in the respective boroughs of Scotland for the next year read, and agreed to, approved with the names of the Commissioners, and to be printed and published.

13. Mr. Embree to find a convenient place out of Whitehall for the Commissioners for approbation of public preachers to sit.

16. The petition and report of Matth. Young of Stratford, co. Essex, referred to Montague, Desborow, and Sydenham, to report.

17. Mr. Elvine and Mrs. Guise's Ordinances to be considered next Monday.

18. Mackworth's report from the Committee on Ed. Dendy's petition read. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 479–481.]

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38. Assignation by Wm. Davy of Mergondham, co. Norfolk, to Sam. Porter, merchant tailor of London, of a debt of 3*l.* 15*s.* due to him from Capt. John Edwin, Porter having paid Davy the said sum. [1 *sheet.*]

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The Old Warwick, Falmouth.

39. Capt. Will. Cockraine to the Admiralty Committee. On the 30th of July I met a fleet of Holland merchantmen, under convoy of a man-of-war, between the Lizard and Ushant; the former struck their topsails, but the man-of-war would not, alleging I was not in the British but the Spanish seas; as he was surrounded by his convoys and other ships from Spain, and there was much wind, I could not fire upon him. I want to know how far is intended by the British seas, and how far our power reaches, so that we may make no unnecessary broils.

On the 7th inst., we met 26 more Dutch merchantmen bound for the Straits, and as they would not strike, we fired 30 guns amongst them before they submitted. This obedience is not to the frigate, but to his Highness the Protector, and thus to the least or the greatest under his command.

On the 9th, we met 2 Yarmouth ships from Rochelle, who had been chased by 6 Brest men-of-war, which on their showing fight left them. Smith has gone for Rochelle to see what English ships are

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there, and to get men, and Capt. Cubitt for Scilly, leaving me orders to ply between the Land's End and the Lizard. I also met two great Hollanders bound for the East Indies, and 7 English bound for Malaga and Port-a-Port. I have come in for water, and will then return to my station. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 12. Gravesend. **40.** Richard Bere to Thos. [Robt.] Blackborne. His Excellency (the Portuguese ambassador) received similar advice to yours from Secretary Thurloe. He is determined to sail on Monday, as the greater part of his goods are on board, though the frigate should always prefer the service of the State. [⅓ *page.*]

Aug. 12. **41.** Deposition of Miles Hill that Edw. Pitt, of Kire, co. Worcester, elected for the next Parliament, said at Webly, on 2 August last, that he would be hanged before he would be subject to any instrument in Parliament, when the people had chosen him for their liberties, meaning the Lord Protector's instrument, and that he believed that instrument would come to nothing. [½ *page.*]

Aug. 13. **42.** Report of Wm. Ellis, solicitor-general, on a reference from his Highness about settling the Post office. Being an M.P. and a member of the Committee for the Posts, I know something concerning them. There were the foreign and the inland office, both of which were granted to Thos. Witherings, the inland for his own life only, the foreign for his life and that of Frizel, who is still living.

Before the Parliament of 1640, the King sequestered both offices, on which Witherings petitioned Parliament, the sequestration was voted illegal, and he was restored to the foreign but not to the inland office. After his death, Sir David Watkins enjoyed it for his wife and children till the late Council of State put him out and gave it to Manley. Watkins wishes his patent tried by law, but if this Ordinance pass, his right, if he have any, is concluded. I ask whether you will use the legislative power to conclude any man's right. Witherings' estate in the inland office was ended at his death; Lord Stanhope claimed it by patent, but I do not remember his title. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 14. **43.** Petition of Richard Hippisley, late Captain of Sandgate Castle, Kent, to the Protector, for payment of the arrears of his pension out of his discoveries of any estates due to the State. Had a life patent for the castle with 40*l.* a year, and held it 25 years, in which time his pension fell 280*l.* into arrears, and he lent 50*l.* on public faith, as Sir Hen. Heyman can testify. Was removed by Lord Fairfax on pretence of impotency through age, without satisfaction for his place, in which another is settled. With reference thereon to Council, 21 April 1654. [1 *sheet. Also I.* 92, *No.* 137.]

Aug. 14. Order on report of the Committee of Council for petitions,—that 251*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* is due to him for arrears and disbursements for repairs, and that he offers to discover 100 acres of concealed land, and to pur-

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chase it, and desires the debt to be abated from the purchase,—that $\frac{1}{5}$ of what comes in by his discovery be allowed him, and he allowed to buy the land at 15 years' purchase, and the Sequestration Commissioners are to hear the discovery, and allow him the $\frac{1}{5}$. Approved 19 Aug. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 482, 512.]

Aug. 14. **44.** Petition of Elizabeth, widow of Wm. Guise, tailor of Worcester, to the Protector. Had 100*l.* a year granted on the votes of the late Parliament out of the estate of Thos. Hornihold, Papist delinquent in co. Worcester, but his estate is only for life. Begs in lieu thereof a sum from the sale of his woods in Hanly and Great Malvern. With reference, thereon to Council, to put her case into an effectual way, 26 June 1654. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 14. Order thereon in Council allowing her 500*l.* from money arising by sale of land to be discovered by Capt. Rich. Hippisley, after his $\frac{1}{5}$ is paid, to be in lieu of a grant of 100*l.* a year on lands in Ireland, to her and her children, for her husband's faithfulness to the State, and in lieu of a grant by Parliament, 6 Sept. 1651, of 100*l.* a year from the estates of persons who had adhered to the enemy in the business at Worcester. [*I.* 75, *p.* 482.]

Aug. 14. Note of a petition of Chris. Vine, usher in the Exchequer, for 132*l.*, his arrears and disbursements for fire, candles, &c., in attending several committees, many orders having been made for his relief. [*I.* 92, *No.* 91.]

Aug. 14. **45.** Order on report from the Committee for petitions in his case, and that of his two sons,—that Vine has died since the petition; that he spent 92*l.* 18*s.* for firing, lights, paper, &c., for the committees of Parliament that sat in the Exchequer chamber, beside 40*l.* received therefor; that 40*l.* a year should be paid him for 12 years' services; and that the late Committee for Plundered Ministers (?) had requested allowance to him of 600*l.* owing to the State from the executors of Sir Simon Every, late receiver-general of the duchy, which particulars are also in a report from Major Horman, Gervase Bennet, and Mr. Gooking, on a reference from the Protector,—that the said 600*l.* be assigned to Vine's widow and children, and that the Commissioners for Sequestered Estates be examined on the debt, and apply it for relief of the widow and children in fit proportions. Approved 19 Aug. [1 *sheet. Also I.* 75, *p.* 483.]

Aug. 14. **46.** Petition of Sir Sigismund Zinzan, *alias* Alexander, to the Protector. Lately set forth in his petition that there was 3,000*l.* due to him for arrears as esquire to the late King, and on a pension of 100*l.* a year granted him for life, and part of 10,000*l.* disbursed to pay his troop, when he served under the Earl of Essex. Has no other livelihood, and being lately deprived of the 20*l.* a year, part of his pension, is reduced to extreme want, and filled with many infirmities of old age, and has nothing wherewith to defray the

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charges of soliciting, if referred elsewhere. Begs a speedy order for his pension of 100*l.* a year, and 300*l.* to discharge his great debts, and will then waive his claim to arrears. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

46. I. *Accounts for his service as major and captain in Col. Goodwin's regiment under the late Earl of Essex, bringing him in debtor to the State* 306*l.* 11*s.* *Signed by Nich. Domvill, registrar to the Committee of Accounts.* [1 *page.*]

Aug. 14. Reference thereon in Council to Sydenham, Jones, and Pickering, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 485.] *Annexing,*

47. I. *Report on the petition by Cols. Wm. Sydenham and Phil. Jones, that* 20*s.* *a week should be allowed him in respect of his necessitous condition till further order be taken.* 20 *Feb.* 1654–5. [⅔ *page.*]

Aug. 14. **48.** Petition of Thos. Buck, of Cambridge, to Council, for a pass for Wm. Tirrell, of Saterly, Suffolk, to go to France, and return with Peter, son of Sir Step. Somes, of Heydon, co. Essex, now in France for education, and under petitioner's tuition. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 14. Order in Council granting the petition. [*I.* 75, *p.* 486.]

[Aug. 14.] **49.** Petition of Rice Vaughan to Council. Maurice Lewis, sheriff of co. Merioneth, finding that I and John Vaughan of Kenenbodig competed for the place of knight of the shire, ordered the election to be at Bala, in a corner of the county, and very inconvenient. This was at the instance of Edw. Vaughan, of Lloydart, co. Montgomery, and other malignants. At their instance also, though my electors were at the place on 12 July, by 8 a.m., he delayed reading the writ till late in the day, because Edw. Vaughan had gone into Montgomeryshire, to promote the election of his kinsman, promising to return in time. He returned next day, Thursday, with 40 armed men from other counties, who were received with shouts by the rabble, and requested the sheriff to command me out of court, asking what I had to do there, and assaulted me, but I took it patiently. John Vaughan had before offered to get me returned unanimously, if I would not prosecute Edw. Vaughan at Haberdashers' Hall for the arrears of near 9,000*l.* due to the State out of Herbert Vaughan's estate, but I refused the terms.

During the election, which lasted till Friday night, many of my electors were tired and discountenanced by the justices of peace then sitting at quarter sessions, and some were taken into custody and abused. I was much abused and affronted, yet still I was elected by a majority, as I can prove by the notes of the 2 clerks; but the sheriff would not let me see the number of the votes told, but counted them himself in an obscure place, and so returned John Vaughan, who was a Commissioner of Array against Parliament. I beg examination, and if John Vaughan is not qualified, an order to the sheriff to amend his return, as directed by law. [1 *page.*]

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[Aug. 14.] **50.** Reasons why there is no need for a new election in co. Merioneth, in case Council judge John Vaughan incapable to sit.

The 16th article of government voids all elections contrary to law, but allows the competitor to have the return amended.

The 21st article does not authorise a new election if one of the competitors is a capable person, so as not to give the people undue trouble.

The Committee of Privileges never order new writs, but only amend false returns.

In John Vaughan's case, the miscarriage of the sheriff would make void the election were he capable; therefore the return should be amended, not a new writ issued. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 14. Whitehall. **51, 52.** Order in the Committee of Council on election petitions, summoning Griffith Lloyd, David Ellis of Bodweny, and Hun. Ap Hugh Ap Ellis of Llangar, all co. Merioneth, to appear as witnesses on the petition of Rice Vaughan. With like notes of summons for witnesses on other election cases for Surrey, Tiverton, Ely, Southwark, Leicestershire, Hereford, Herefordshire, and London. 21–31 Aug. [2⅔ *pages and scrap.*]

Aug. 14. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Committee on the petitions and complaints against persons returned to serve in the next Parliament to issue summons to witnesses to appear and give evidence.

2, 3. The Ordinances for settling the 4 forests as a further security for the soldiers' arrears, and for abolishing all rural prebends and other ecclesiastical preferments without cure in England and Wales, to be read next Monday.

4. An Ordinance for payment of 600*l.* to Ed. Elvines of Worcester read, and agreed to. Approved 1 Sept. and to be published.

8. **53.** The Admiralty Commissioners speedily to appoint a ship of war to transport the Commissioners appointed for Ireland.

9. Scobell to bring in an Ordinance for settling 1,000*l.* a year on each of them.

10. The augmentation granted by an order of July 11, 1654 to John Eaton, minister of Bridport, co. Dorset, to be paid him by the Trustees for Maintenance of Ministers, from the time the former augmentation of 80*l.* granted him out of the tithes of Bradpole ceased. Approved 19 Aug.

12. **54, 55.** Order on report of the Committee to whom Lancelot Emott's case was referred [*see p.* 170 *suprà*] that 100*l.* be allowed him in lieu of all demands, and that Col. Sydenham report on what treasury it should be charged. Approved 19 Aug. *Annexing,*

55. I. *Report thereon, recapitulating the case—also stating that Emott served from* 16 *May* 1651 *to* 20 *April* 1653, *and should be paid his balance of arrears due during the session of last Parliament, and the pay during the interval of the Parliaments is submitted to Council.* 19 *May* 1654. [1 *page.*]

13. The Admiralty Commissioners to make strict examination concerning several goods alleged in a paper delivered by Mr. Thurloe

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to have been shipped at Venice, aboard the Golden Star of Hamburgh, for Alex. Ceconi, a Swedish gentleman, and find out how they were plundered, to summon any witness, and report.

14. Order on information of the charge of high treason against Wm. Oham, that the Serjeant-at-arms attending Council apprehend and bring him to Council to answer.

15. A warrant for payment of the last quarter's rent for Sir Abr. Williams' house to be signed.

17. The report from the referees on Ed. Stephens' petition referred to the Treasury Commissioners, who are to examine the matter and report, so that if any undue proceedings have taken place, the guilty persons may be dealt with. Meanwhile the trustees for sale of forfeited estates are to forbear proceedings about the lands in question.

18. A report from the counsel learned on Col. Simon Rugely's petition, concerning the discovery of the State's title to marsh lands in Walton, Walsoken, and Walpole, co. Norfolk, referred to Wolsley and Mackworth, to consult with counsel, and prepare an Ordinance to clear the Commonwealth's interest, not forgetting the petitioner's arrears.

22. Order on information that a quantity of plate belonging to the late Dean and Chapter of Paul's is concealed from the Commonwealth, that the Commissioners for Sequestrated Estates receive information therein, and issue warrants to seize all such plate discovered, secure it for the State, and report. Approved 2 Sept.

25. Approval by the Protector of 6 ordinances before named; also of one authorizing the discharge from sequestration of lands settled on trustees for Lady Eleanor Fitz-Williams.

26. An Ordinance authorising Fauconberg to pay several sums read, and agreed to, with additions. Approved 19 Aug. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 481, 583.]

Aug. 14. Grant by Richard Deacon, cloth worker, to Thomas Wells, haberdasher, both of London, for 63*l.* 10*s.*, of the remainder of a lease, for 21 years from 10 April 1651, of a messuage, shop, &c. in Fleet Street, at a peppercorn rent. [*Parchment. Interregnum, Box* 2, *No.* 5.]

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Plymouth.

56. Capt. Hen. Hatsell to the Admiralty Committee. I send a copy of an order given to the captain of the Nonsuch, who has sailed to Chester. The Taunton has come in, wanting 50 men, and will stay for General Blake. The Martin has gone to Portsmouth.

Capt. Heaton of the Saphire has come in with two French ships taken coming from Greenland, laden with oil; he also had a sharp scuffle with another stout Frenchman from St. Christophers, and boarded her twice, but could not carry her on account of the storms. He lost a man in the fight, and had 6 or 7 wounded, 3 dangerously, and the frigate is much torn with the shot. Several of the men-of-war that were at Brest have removed to Port Lewis, near Bell Isle, where they have taken 4 or 5 English vessels, 3 of which belong to Dartmouth; they keep the coast between that and Rochelle,

where your English frigates have no orders to ply, but I think one should range that coast. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

56. I. *Order by Capt. Hatsell to Capt. Thos. Penrose, of the Nonsuch, to sail to Westchester river, receive moneys for Ireland from the Treasurer-at-war, take them to Dublin, and deliver them to the Treasurer-at-war there. Plymouth,* 21 *July* 1654. [*Copy,* $\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

[Aug. 15.] **57.** Petition of William Earl Marshal of Scotland to the Protector. By Council order of 12 April 1654, my estate, with those of other excepted persons, is made over to trustees, and nothing allowed for maintenance of me and my family. I am at great expenses as prisoner in the Tower, which I cannot support, and beg an allowance for myself, wife, and family. With reference thereon to Council, 7 Aug. 1654. [1 *sheet.*]

Aug. 15. Order thereon in Council that 3*l.* a week be allowed him out of Council's contingencies till further order. [*I.* 75, *p.* 487.]

[Aug. 15.] **58.** Petition of Mary Cosins, for herself and 5 other children of Dr. Cosins, to the Protector. Her father being sequestered 10 years since, the County Commissioners ordered $\frac{1}{5}$ of the estate to be paid to John Blackston, late M.P., their uncle, for their maintenance, &c. He being dead, and the Dean and Chapter lands, from which most of their father's estate of 1,500*l.* a year issued, being sold, they have little left, and the profits of the small estate left them are detained by those who enjoy it, as Dr. Seaman, master of Peterhouse, Cambridge, and Mr. Lever, of Brandspeth, co. Durham. Got an order for their $\frac{1}{5}$ from the late Committee for Plundered Ministers, but it was rendered fruitless by the dissolution of that Committee. Their mother and uncle being dead, they have no friend to move for them.

Their father's library is in Peterhouse, and they got an order that it should not be disposed of, but by loss and embezzlement it is not now worth $\frac{1}{6}$ of what it cost. Begs an order for the books, and $\frac{1}{5}$ of the estate, having spent in solicitation most of the little substance left her by some friends of her mother. With reference to Mr. Strickland, Col. Mackworth, Sir Gilb. Pickering, and Sir Ant. Ashley Cooper, to think of some relief, and move Council to direct it. [1 *page.*]

Aug. ? **59.** Report thereon by Strickland and Mackworth that the children should have $\frac{1}{5}$ of the estate, and especially of Brandspeth rectory in Mr. Lever's hands; also that the books should be delivered them by inventory, they repaying the college 40*s.*, paid to the sequestrators on their delivery, and the profits of the books may be employed on their maintenance and education. [*Draft,* $1\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

Aug. 15. Order in Council confirming the report, and granting Mary and her sisters $\frac{1}{5}$ of their father's estate with arrears, to be paid by all who receive the profits thereof, and also the books delivered by the sequestrators by inventory to Peterhouse, Cambridge, which the master is to deliver up on payment of disbursements. Approved, 19 Aug. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 489, 513.]

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5. The 500*l.* ordered 27 July to Capt. Peter Backhouse to be paid from the fines imposed on the people of Scotland by the Act of grace. Approved 19 Aug.

9. Order—on information that Sir A. A. Cooper has occasion to carry timber and stones to his building at ———, which will require a greater draught of oxen and horses than is allowed in the late Ordinance for repairing highways,—that he be at liberty to use as many oxen and horses as he requires without penalty. Approved, 19 Aug.

10. Scobell to bring in an Ordinance for giving general liberty to use a greater nnmber of oxen and horses than prescribed by the late Ordinance for highways, during the 3 months of the year when they will receive least prejudice by a greater draught.

13. Commissary-General Whalley, and Cols. Cock and Clarke, to receive and report on the accounts of Col. Mat. Tomlinson, who is presently to repair to Ireland as a commissioner there.

16. Permission to Peter Venables, Baron of Kinderton, co. Chester, to use as many oxen as necessary to convey millstones for the mill in Cheshire, which will require more than the legal number. Approved 19 Aug.

17. The alterations proposed by his Highness to be made in the 6th Article of the Bill for regulating the jurisdiction of Chancery agreed to. Approved 19 Aug.

18. An Ordinance for Phil. Smith to be named one of the chief clerks of Chancery, paying Lawrence Maidwell, late one of the 6 clerks, $\frac{1}{3}$ of the yearly profits, agreed to. Approved 19 Aug.

19. Order on report of the Committee on the petition of Anne Howard, daughter of Sir Chas. Howard deceased, for payment for herself and her sister Elizabeth, the administratrixes of their father's estate, of 2,640*l.* arrears of the annuity granted by patent to Sir Charles out of the half of such discoveries as she shall make; also on an order of the Public revenue committee of Oct. 25, 1649,—that they be allowed $\frac{1}{2}$ of any money brought in by debt or estate real or personal, due to the State, and not pardoned by the Act of Oblivion, brought in and prosecuted by them, till it reach 2,000*l*; that the Commissioners for sequestered estates at Haberdashers' Hall examine and determine all such discoveries till the 1,000*l.* be satisfied, and issue their warrants to the Treasurers to pay $\frac{1}{2}$ of the discoveries to the petitioners, and use the other $\frac{1}{2}$ for the State. Approved 28 Aug. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 486–491.]

Aug. 15.
Whitehall. Council to the Justices of Peace for co. Derby [on petition of Rich. Woolaston]. As the steward of the Barmote Court in the Wapentake of Wirksworth has been interrupted in his duties by persons meeting tumultuously, you are to assist him in preserving peace and preventing riots, and proceed according to law against all offenders. [*I.* 75, *p.* 488.]

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The Saphire, Catwater. **60.** Capt. N. Heaton to Robt. Blackborne. Pray present to the Commissioners my letters detailing a scuffle with the French, and put a favourable construction upon them, as I am no scribe, but a

seaman who went through much danger and trouble in the encounter, and my ship, like others, almost lost for want of men. We are like to lose all we gained in the late war, as the French and Dutch go in fleets, and the Dutch are very stubborn, and beat us if we engage. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

Aug. 15. The Saphire, Catwater.

61. Capt. N. Heaton to the Admiralty Committee. On the 5th, I met a fleet of Hollanders from St. Martins, to whom the Great Boor (who was vice-admiral to John Van Gall in the Straits) was convoy, with his flag on the mizen topmast head. I fired a shot, when he struck, and then sent my lieutenant on board to inform him that he had not fulfilled the articles of peace, and that keeping his flag and topsails aloft, when within shot of one of the ships of the State of England, was a great abuse, and gross affront by the State of Holland to the Commonwealth; to which he replied that if he had shot again, he could have justified his actions, and was not bound to strike, being upon his own coast, and that his submission was not one of duty, but brotherly love. As soon as the lieutenant returned, he hoisted his topsail and flag again. I had a good mind to fight him, but wanted a lawful excuse, he having previously struck; I desire proper instructions how to act in cases of a similar nature. [2 *pages.*]

Aug. 15. The Saphire, Catwater.

62. Capt. N. Heaton to the Admiralty Committee. I met on the 6th 2 English and 3 Flemings from Bourgnœuf, who reported that they had been chased by 2 Brest men-of-war, and that there were 6 or 7 near Bell Isle, who had taken 5 or 6 English ships; so I plied that way, and chased one that got to a little harbour in Fountain Head, where I could not follow. I also met a Portuguese from Brazil, with Dutch prisoners, bound for Nantes; they were overjoyed when informed of the peace.

On the 9th, I chased and took two ships of Rochelle, from Greenland, with oil, and manned them with my own men, not without danger, having 79 able prisoners and not as many men, my crew having been but 120 instead of 170.

On the 12th, I engaged with another Frenchman, but as I could not board him for want of men, we lay to and fired into one another. I never received so much damage before, except in the last engagement with the Dutch, and all for want of more men, being 50 short of my complement. You will remember my former engagement with the French, when 3 ships were taken, 2 of which were worth 80,000*l.* If I met with such now, I must leave them with shame, for want of men, and be branded as a coward. My prisoners on board were far the strongest, and when they got into Plymouth, and were let loose to make the ship fast, they were ready to tear their hair to see our weakness and their own strength. [$3\frac{3}{4}$ *pages.*]

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Note of a petition, referred to the Committee for petitions, of Fras. Webb, that his account may be stated for arms and other supplies for the State, amounting with interest to 3,120*l.*, and the money paid out of the excise, or remainder of Dean and Chapter lands. With reference thereon to Mr. Falconbridge and Sherwin, whose report was returned 18 Sept. 1655. [*I.* 92, *No.* 88.]

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Aug. 16. **63.** Petition of Rich. Tempest, Esq., to Council, for a pass, with one servant to go to Dieppe or any other port of France, and return, his private affairs requiring his presence there. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 16. Order granting the pass. [*I.* 112, *p.* 52; *I.* 113, *p.* 34; *I.* 75, *p.* 487.]

Aug. 16. **64.** Petition of the godly in and about the chapelry of Walmesley, co. Lancaster, to the Protector and Council, to call to account Francis Isherwood, Thos. Kershaw, Roger Walkeden, George Walmesley, and John Welch and others, who have locked the chapel doors against Michael Briscoe, their minister, some time chaplain to His Highness' regiment of foot in Scotland, a person of known integrity, and one from whose ministry they have reaped much benefit, he being also approved by the Commissioners appointed by His Highness and Council. He has faithfully preached the gospel there these four years, and they beg he may not be forced from them. 24 signatures. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 16. Reference thereon to Sir Rich. Haughton, Bart., Thos. Birch, Edw. Robinson, Gilb. Ireland, and John Sawry, to report, and meantime to take order that Briscoe be not debarred from teaching there; and if they find any persons have broken the peace, to cause the laws in that behalf to be executed. [*I.* 75, *p.* 492.]

Aug 16. **65.** Petition of 8 English and 11 French seamen in Dorchester gaol to Col. Sydenham, for employment. We were taken at sea in a Brest man-of-war, and have suffered the extremities of strangers in restraint. You being of this county, we before petitioned you on our starving condition, and now beg your mediation with the Protector or Council, that we may be employed in shipping service, on engagement not to act against the present Government. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

65. I. *List of the said prisoners.* [$\frac{1}{3}$ *page.*]

Aug. 16. Order thereon that the prisoners being committed for piracy, Lieut. Bedford, keeper of the prison, send to Barbadoes such of them as are willing to go. Noted as suspended on the 19th. [*I.* 75, *p.* 492.]

[Aug. 16.] **66.** Petitions of divers of the well-affected of Southwark to the Protector and Council. On Tuesday, 27 June, the day appointed for choice of burgesses, the nominees were Col. John Hardwick and Peter Lannoy on one part, and Sam. Highland and Rob. Warcup on the other; on orderly division, the former were greater by $\frac{1}{3}$ in the judgment of unbiassed people and the under-sheriff, but the bailiff, who was Warcup's father, long refused to give his judgment or go to poll. At last poll was taken, and by not asking the habitations, and taking the votes of dangerous persons, polling their own party first, and threatening some—the day being far spent, and a great rain falling which enforced persons of quality to withdraw to neighbours' houses,—he hastily closed the poll, and prevented many from voting. We beg another choice, removal of a notoriously partial bailiff, and declaration whether the voters must be worth 100*l.* The bailiff declared

this to be the sense of Council, and yet acted otherwise. 121 signatures, 2 being by mark. [1 *sheet.*]

[Aug. 16.] **67.** Reasons offered to Council why Sam. Hyland and Rob. Warcup are neither duly elected nor qualified to act as burgesses for Southwark:

Hyland seduced the electors by a glosing speech of self praise.

The majority were for Hardwick and Lannoy.

Sundry artifices detailed were used to weary the electors on the other side.

The poll was managed by their own party and after their own will.

They obliged all who voted for one to vote for both, having no separate columns.

They used menaces and violence, Col. Hardwick was twice struck, and others were beaten and abused.

They kept the party out in the great rain, and then, by a clandestine Oyez in the house, hastily dissolved the company. With the names of witnesses to each article. [3 *sheets.*]

[Aug. 16.] **68.** Petition of the well-affected of Southwark to the Protector and Council. By the 17th article of the Instrument for Government, the members of Parliament are to be persons of known integrity, fearing God, and of good conversation; and by the 21st article, persons elected by the majority are to be returned. Sam. Hyland and Rob. Warcup were so returned, but most unduly, as we have represented, and are incapable on both grounds, therefore we beg justice. 163 signatures, 4 being by mark. Many of the names coincide with those on the previous petition. [1 *sheet.*]

[Aug. 16.] **69.** Reasons why Sam. Hyland and Rob. Warcup are not qualified to sit as burgesses for Southwark. Accusation of Hyland for unjust dealings as justice of peace, in imprisoning and releasing persons without due grounds, receiving bribes, condoning the fines of Sabbath profaners, granting warrants to carriers to travel on days of humiliation, favouring the Levellers, and making no conscience of speaking the truth.

Accusation of Warcup for Atheism, tippling and gaming, crooked carriage at the election, bribery, and breach of trust. [1¾ *sheet.*]

Aug. 16. **70.** Order in the Committee of Council for petitions, that Friday afternoon next be appointed for Southwark. [¼ *page.*]

[Aug. 16.] **71.** Petition of the gentlemen and freeholders of co. Warwick to the Protector and Council. Sir Rich. Temple, Bart., has been chosen for our county, although he will not be of age till next April. The sheriff told the people openly at the election that he was under age, but that he had a dispensation from his Highness. We beg a new writ to choose another. 40 signatures. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

71. I., II. *Certificates by Wm. Williams, registrar of the parish of Martin's-in-the-fields, that Richard, son of Sir Peter Temple, Bart., was baptised* 28 *April* 1634. 26 *July and* 16 *Aug.* 1654. [2 *copies.*]

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[Aug. 16.] **72.** Petitions of divers gentlemen and freeholders of co. Warwick to the Protector. To the like effect. Not signed. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 16. **73.** Notes of orders for the hearing of the several cases before the Committee for Elections, 11 and 16 Aug. [⅔ *page.*]

Aug. 16. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1, 2. The Ordinances touching the 4 forests to be a further security for the soldiers' arrears, and that concerning the persons fined by the Ordinance of pardon to the people of Scotland, to be considered to-morrow.

4. Wm. Tasborogh and John Gillet, who were discharged from being warders of the Tower, and committed to prison there by order of 1 June 1654, in respect of Mr. Tudor's escape through their neglect, to be set at liberty.

5. In the order of 8 Aug. concerning an augmentation to Mr. Leverington, it is to be inserted that the same begin from when Mr. Brewster left the sequestration.

9. The arrears of 711*l.* 4*s.* due to Sergeant Dendy for his personal services to be paid out of the 4 forests settled for soldiers' arrears.

10. The petition of Sir Ed. Seabright referred to Wolsley and Mackworth, to report.

11. Council being informed of meetings of Papists, Jesuits, and ill-affected persons at Wolverhampton, co. Stafford, request Sir John Worley and Capt. John Stone to inquire into the matter, prevent such meetings, apprehend dangerous persons, and proceed against priests and Jesuits according to law. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 491–493.]

[Aug. 17.] **74.** Petition of Gilbert Keate and other owners of the Marmaduke to Council, for restoration of their ship, as granted in like cases. In 1650 they set out the ship to Russia and the Straits; in her voyage to Leghorn, she was encountered by Prince Rupert's fleet, and taken after 6 hours' fight, by which they lost 5,000*l.*

In 1651, at Cape Verd islands, the English mariners on board freed themselves from Prince Rupert's servitude, and brought the ship to Plymouth, with goods value 1,400*l.*, of which 880*l.* was ordered to be given by the State to the mariners.

In May 1652, the ship was fitted as a man-of-war, and sent convoy to Ireland, and has so continued 2 years, so that 4,000*l.* is due for her, beside 900*l.* for service to Parliament in the Narrow seas in 1644.

By the Act of 17 April 1649, if the ship had been retaken by the State's fleet, she would have been restored to the owners, on paying salvage; but being brought home by the mariners, she should be restored without salvage, the rather that 500*l.* was brought thereby into the Treasury, besides the 880*l.* to the mariners.

Petitioned both Council of State and the Protector, who referred them last February to the Admiralty Commissioners, and they have misreported the case. [1 *page.* *See* 15 *March* 1655.]

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[Aug. 17.] **74a.** Like petition of Gilbert Keate to the Protector. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

74. I. *Statement by the owners of the Marmaduke of precedents bearing on their case.*

The London surrendered in the Downs to Prince Charles, came with his fleet into the river to encounter the Parliament's forces, returned with the fleet to Holland, and was thence brought over by the Parliament fleet to England, yet the owners have enjoyed her since.

The Roebuck was taken by Prince Rupert, carried into Lisbon, and fitted for a man-of-war, but retaken by the Parliament fleet and brought home, and the owners had her on paying $\frac{1}{8}$ *salvage.*

The Marmaduke was not brought back by the Parliament fleet, but by her own mariners, yet the captain has been made prisoner, and the vessel was taken in May 1652 *as a convoy for Ireland.* [2 *pages.*]

Aug. 17. **75.** Petition of Rob. Michel, master of the St. Lewis of Dieppe, to the Protector, for a pass for the ship, which has been graciously restored to him, and the goods to Dieppe, on account of the eminent dangers of the seas. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*] *Annexing,*

75. I. *Thos. Kendal to Lord Lambert. I must trouble you for a pass for my French captain, whose ship you got restored on valuation, lest he be taken by the frigates that lie on that coast.* [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

Aug. 17. Order thereon granting the pass. [*I.* 112, *p.* 55; *I.* 113, *p.* 38; *I.* 75, *p.* 508.]

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4. The petition of the dissolved family which attended the late King's children under protection of Parliament referred to Skippon, Rous, and Major, to report.

5. The Ordinance for ejecting scandalous, ignorant, and insufficient ministers and schoolmasters, after additions and a proviso, read and agreed to.

6. An additional Ordinance, to explain the Ordinance appointing Commissioners for Approbation of public preachers, referred to Mackworth, Wolsley, Jones and Cooper.

7. The petition of Leonard Clayton, minister of Blackburn, co. Lancaster, for confirmation of an order for an augmentation, referred to Mackworth and Rous, to report.

8. The petition of Thos. Waring, merchant of London, for many inhabitants of the town and parish of Preston, and chapelry of Goosnargh, Kirkham parish, co. Lancaster, 7 miles from the said parish, referred to Mackworth and Rous, to report.

9. The petition of Allen Apsley referred to Lisle, Wolsley, Jones, and Cooper, to report.

11. The Ordinance for taking account of the tithes in Wales to be read next Tuesday.

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12. Mr. Batchelor's business, concerning the difference between Lord Herbert and him, to be considered to-morrow.

14. Order—on notice that the repairs at Whitehall, and their charges are not regularly managed,—that Pickering, Strickland, and Jones request His Highness that in future they may be managed by fit persons appointed by him.

15. Mr. Embree's petition for payment of moneys due to him from the State sent to the Commissioners for regulating customs and excise, to report.

17. Resolved on an Ordinance touching forests, read the first and second time, that the power of His Highness and Council for giving commissions and instructions shall not exceed 3 years. The Ordinance thus amended, with the commission and instructions, read, and agreed to. Approved 19 Aug. *Annexing,*

76. I. *Instructions alluded to for the Commissioners to survey the forests, &c., enquire into the ownership, the rights of commons, herbage or pannage, and the late erection of cottages, and examine and determine claims; posting up the day of meeting in every church and chapel near, some days beforehand; to disallow grants in general words from the Crown, or the trustees for sale of crown lands; assign for commons waste ground, and reserve the timber for the State; to conclude no agreement till certified to his Highness and his Council; to suggest what improvements can be made, what timber sold, what highways laid out, and note especially the value of the oak and elm timber.* [4⅓ *sheets.*]

19. Lambert reports amendments to the Ordinance for the 4 forests as security for officers and soldiers, which were read, a clause for 711*l.* to Ed. Dendy added, and the Ordinance agreed to. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 507–509.]

Aug. 17. **77.** Warrant by the Commissioners for inspecting the Treasuries to the Treasurers-at-war, to pay 2,279*l.* 2*s.* to Rich. Hutchinson, to be issued on warrant of the Admiralty Committee. Receipted 22 Aug. [1½ *pages.*]

Aug. 18. **78.** Petition of John Gibbon and the participants in the level of Hatfield Chace, cos. York, Lincoln, and Notts, to the Protector. We were many years possessed of 7,400 acres in Epworth manor, co. Lincoln, which was drained at great charge, many families planted, and the whole tilled. Lieut.-Col. John Lilburne, Major John Wildman, and other inhabitants, laid waste the houses, demolished (Santoft) church, and destroyed the growing corn; and then a contract was made and sealed unlawfully, whereby Lilburne and Wildman were to have 2,000 acres, and defend the inhabitants in quiet possession of the rest. These rioters were excepted from the Act of Oblivion. Wildman afterwards denied with oaths that he was to have 1,000 acres,

or was present at the bargain, till the deed was produced, and he confessed his hand and seal. We hope that you will not allow a person guilty of such crimes to sit in Parliament. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

Aug. 18. **79.** Like petition of Gibbon to Council, noting that Lilburne and Wildman encouraged the rioters to demolish the enclosures by saying that they would be of the next Parliament, and would see justice done them. That they destroyed thousands of acres, and turned out 100 families. Also that in the printed list, Wildman is returned as member for Scarborough. [1 *page.*]

[Aug. 18.] **80.** Petition of Geo. Batchelor and Edw. Southes to the Committee of Council to whom Lord Herbert's petition is referred, to consider their case and their statements, as to the ground of their purchase of a fee farm rent of 88*l.* 3*s.* 10*d.* issuing out of his lands, as they can procure no counsel, and Lord Herbert's counsel has argued that their case is very sad and ruinous, if judgment be given against them. Hope the judgment in their favour will not be impeached. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *sheet.*]

Aug. ? **81.** Report by Justices Atkins and Hale that the lands are not liable to the said rent, being settled by Parliament on Lord Herbert as a purchase, and discharged of such rents. The purchasers thereupon consented to surrender their interest, on satisfaction from the State, which the justices think they should have. Therefore they are to be reimbursed their purchase money for the said fee farm rents. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

Aug. 18. Order thereon that a reprize of 1,200*l.* be allowed Mr. Batchelor for the fee-farm rent purchased by him, and the case referred to Jones, Mackworth, Cooper, Strickland and Wolsley, to find out how best to settle the matter, and report; the Treasury Commissioners to consider on which treasury 1,200*l.* may soonest be raised to satisfy Mr. Batchelor; and the Commissioners for removing obstructions to forbear further proceedings in the matter. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 509–510.]

Aug. 18. **82.** Petition of Wm. Cham, of Wood Street, London, to Council. Is imprisoned at Lambeth by their warrant, knowing neither the cause nor his accusers. Thinks he is mistaken for another man of the same name in his street. Begs a hearing that he may defend himself, follow his vocation, and provide for his perishing family. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

82. I. *Sir Rob. Tichborne to Col. Sydenham. Pray let Cham know the cause of his commitment; he is an officer to the sheriff of London, and has a wife and* 3 *children to provide for. London,* 17 *Aug.* 1654. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

Aug. 18. Order thereon that Mr. Jessop send for Cham and the person of the same name, and also the informant, see whether there be any mistake as to the person, and report. [*I.* 78. *p.* 510.]

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Aug. 18. **83.** Petition of Louisa Houston to the Protector, for a weekly pension or some supply, her husband having never borne arms against Parliament, and been 2 years in the service in Scotland. Her father, Sir George Carew, left her a large estate, increased during her minority by the death of her brother Sir Francis, and the care of her mother, Lady Thomasine Carew, now dead; the late King wished to marry her to John Houston, who had been his servant from youth; but her friends objecting on account of his want of estate, the King granted him 400*l.* for their 2 lives, which was paid till the late wars, but has been unpaid 12 years; most of her portion is spent, and she has contracted great debts. With reference thereon to Council, 20 May 1654. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 18. Reference thereon by Council to Col. Mackworth and Mr. Rous, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 510.]

Aug. 18. **84.** Case of Hugh Woodward, purchaser of James' field. Purchased the field in 1651, at an improved rate of 164*l.* 5*s.* 7*d.*, from the trustees for sale of the late King's lands, and executed the privileges granted by Act of Parliament to such purchasers, in selling several small parcels of the ditch, but this has been petitioned against, and the petitioners referred to Council, and by them to Cooper and Strickland. Has done nothing contrary to law, and sold at 18 years' purchase, though he bought at 20 years', yet it will be worth double that rate, if he may have the benefit of the said Act, since confirmed by his Highness. Has waited several months for the report, and for the pleasure of Council, to make the best advantage of his purchase. Endorsed as delivered from Lady Ranelagh. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

Aug. 18. **85.** Charge against Bennett Hoskins, burgess elect for Hereford city:—

1. He acted with others on a commission from the late King to raise money.

2. He acted on a like commission to raise men, horse, and arms, and a jury was impannelled therefor, who were afterwards prosecuted as delinquents.

3. He brought men and arms into the city to defend it for the King.

4. He sent in arms to Sir Wm. Vavasour, governor of the city for the King.

6. When the Scots besieged the city, he and his eldest son left it, and joined the King's party, and his horses were taken by the Scots as from an enemy.

6. Though a member of the late House, he left it, but put in his plea, and his estate, questioned for delinquency, was freed by the benefit of that Act of Parliament.

7. The voice of the country is that in the late war he was on the King's side.

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8. He sent him a horse and man voluntarily, but pretended he was forced thereto. Noted as laid aside. [1¼ *pp.*]

Aug. 18. **86.** Copy of the above. [1 *page damaged.*] *Annexing,*

86. I. *Commissions by Charles I. to Walter Brabazon and* 16 *others, including Jas. Rodd and Bennett Hoskins, to demand account of the supplies of money raised in the city and county, sending certificates thereof into the Court of Chancery. Oxford,* 23 *April* 1644. *Copy certified,* 28 *Aug.* 1654. [3 *sheets.*]

86. II. *Deposition of Jas. Rodd, of Hereford, to the issuing of this commission, and that the Commissioners distributed themselves into the several hundreds to execute it, and Ben. Hoskins and Thos. Tomkins took accounts for the hundred of Evyas.* 28 *Aug.* 1654. [1 *page.*]

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5. Mackworth and Rous to consider some papers delivered to-day, concerning an augmentation for the minister of Bradford.

7. The Ordinance for relief of several persons in Scotland on whom fines are imposed by the Act, as amended by the Committee, read, the quorum made 5, and agreed to. Approved 19 Aug.

8. Order on report of the Committee on the town and parish of Manchester, and on an order of the Council of State of June 29, 1653, in which the gathering of the tithes of the rectory there of 400*l.* a year value, was directed to be forborne;—that the occupiers of titheable lands in the town and parish pay their proportion of the 400*l.*, or give tithes *in specie;* and that the officers collect the tithes notwithstanding the order of the late Council of State. Also that the 120*l.* a year formerly allowed Mr. Herrick, a minister of the town, be continued to the ministers there, and divided by the Trustees for Maintenance of Ministers. Approved 19 Aug.

10. The 20*s.* a week allowed by Parliament to Jane, widow of Fras. Rowe, from Haberdashers' hall, and stayed by the late order for bringing the revenues into one treasury, to be paid from the Treasury in future, and the arrears from Council's contingencies.

11. 40*s.* a week to be paid out of the Council's contingencies to William Earl Marshal of Scotland, above the 3*l.* a week allowed by order of July 15.

12. Several papers from the Dutch ambassadors, concerning ships detained at Plymouth brought in by the Constant Warwick frigate, read, and referred to Jones, Wolsley, Strickland, Cooper, and Mackworth, to confer with the Admiralty Commissioners and judges, and release the ships if they see cause.

13. The petition of Lieut.-Col. Benj. Norton and others referred to Strickland, Jones, Mackworth, Wolsley, Montague, Cooper, Major, and Rous, to report.

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14. Order upon the desire of the Committee on the papers from the Dutch ambassadors, that the King Solomon of Schiedam, and the St. John of Amsterdam, being taken one from Leghorn and the other from Lisbon, with their lading and company, be forthwith released, and that the Prize Goods' Commissioners, take notice, and permit them to proceed on their way. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 509–512.]

[Aug. 19.] **87.** Petition of Wm. Collins, Edw. Budd, and 5 others of the well-affected of Peterborough, to the Protector and Council. We have always stuck close by the interest of Parliament, and on 6 July, elected Major Alex. Blake, a person of known integrity, our member; but the disaffected nominated Hum. Orme, who is not a man of good conversation, and his party would not read the instrument of government, nor allow it to be read. The bailiff also refused to take the votes of any who lived within the Minster close, though qualified, whereby Major Blake had the less number, though we consider the election was his. We beg that he may be admitted burgess. [1 *page.*]

[Aug. 19.] **88.** Exceptions against Hum. Orme, that he favours and keeps company with cavaliers; is a swearer, drunkard, and quarreller; that he employed 2 agents to go from house to house and get him the votes of the disaffected; and that when he was a justice of the peace, he discouraged complaints of profaning the Lord's Day. [⅔ *page.*]

[Aug. 19.] **89.** Ten queries to be put to Edw. Newman, Capt. Collins, Mr. Turner, &c. relative to Orme's conduct on the above points.

[Aug. 19.] **90.** Notes of witnesses to be examined on the several points. [⅔ *page.*]

Aug. 19. **91.** Order in the Committee for elections, that a copy of the charge against Mr. Orme, returned for Peterborough, be sent him; with notice that he may be heard on Friday.

Also that another copy be sent to Mr. Budd, with notice of the time of hearing, that if the prosecution be intended, witnesses may then be produced. [¾ *page.*]

Aug. 19. Whitehall. **92.** Letters from the Secretary of the Committee to Mr. Budd and Mr. Orme, to the effect ordered above. [1 *page, drafts.*]

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1. Order on complaint that — Rider, and others under him, fell wood in Wallwood, Waltham Forest, that they forbear to fell or carry away more, and that the sheriff of Essex, with the power of the county if required, assist in preventing it.

2. The business concerning Lord Henry Cromwell's going to Ireland to be considered next Tuesday.

3. Approval by the Protector of 29 orders and Ordinances 8–19 Aug., including two of 14 Aug., not elsewhere given, for Mr. Forbes to be lecturer at Gloucester, and for discharge from sequestration of lands bought by Mr. Leech. [*I.* 75, *p.* 512, 513.]

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[Aug. 20.] **93.** Petition of divers well-affected persons in Surrey to Council. Contrary to the 17th article of Government, that all Members of Parliament are to be persons of integrity, &c., Rob. Wood, of Kingston, has been returned knight of the shire, whom we can prove to be unqualified. We pray speedy examination, and leave to choose a good man. 7 signatures. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

93. I. *Articles against Rob. Wood. That he is illegally chosen; is a derider of the people of God; is a profane swearer and of bad life; refused assistance in sending forces to Worcester; is an enemy to his Highness and the army; opposed the Assessment Commission; refused to pay poor rates; has sided with the Cavaliers, and in the Earl of Holland's rising, engaged never to act against them. With names of the prosecutors, viz., Obadiah Weekes and Theo. Colcoth, bailiffs, Mr. Mayo, minister, and* 8 *others.* [1 *page.*]

93. II. *Similar articles, adding that last Lent assizes he was put out of the commission of the peace.* [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

Aug. 20. Godalming. **94.** John Westbrooke to his brother, Caleb Westbrook, Kingston. I beg you to excuse me to Col. Wood for not attending before a Committee of Council on Monday, on account of a bad foot, but I send him my certificate. Private affairs. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*] *Annexing,*

94. I. *Certificate by J. Westbrooke, that he was one of the Militia Commissioners in* 1651, *and that Col. Wood, being charged with a horse and arms for Worcester, sent one, with a month's pay, and continued him in the service till discharged by order.* 19 *Aug.* 1654. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

94. II. *Certificate that while Col. Rob. Wood was a commissioner for Surrey, he did not oppose godly ministers, but improved his power to countenance them. Signed by the following ministers:—*

John Platt, West Horsley.
John Holland, East Clandon.
Sam. Wickham, Purbright.
Sam. Carell, East Horsley.
Rich. Byfield, Long Ditton.
Thos. Neesham, Stoke Dalborne.
Edw. Pope, Walton.
Wm. Hampton, Blechingley.
Thos. Temple, D.D., Battersea.

[1 *page.*]

Aug. 21. **95.** Petition of John Tracy to the Protector, for license to import 9,000 folio Bibles and other books in quires, which have lain on his hands 12 years at Dunkirk, by reason of the late wars; 3 years ago they could have been brought in, but since then the stationers have obtained an Act against import, though all such restraints to trade are a danger to the State. With reference thereon to Council, 10 Aug. 1654. [1 *sheet.*]

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Aug. 21. Order in Council on question that the said petition be laid aside, and not referred to a Committee. [*I.* 75, *p.* 514.]

Aug. 21. **96.** Petition of Rich. Yong and other creditors of Peter Smart to the Protector. Smart being cruelly persecuted under the late bishops, Parliament voted him 14,490*l.* for repair of his estate, and 10,000*l.* damages, out of the estates of the high commissioners, and deans and chapters of London, York, and Durham, which lands are since sold by order of Parliament for public debts. We lent him money from time to time to preserve him from perishing, and waited on the late Parliament 13 years before its dissolution, for it owned our most just cause of God against idolatry; but being now much impoverished, we beg reparation out of discovered forfeitures. Notes of orders and references made in the case by divers committees 6 Jan., 1 and 11 Aug., 13 Oct., 30 Nov., and 10 Dec. 1653, and 3 Jan. and 20 Feb. 1653–4. Also report of Aldermen Pack, Estwick, and Ireton, on reference of 20 Feb. 1653–4, that the principal debts amount to 4,045*l.* 5*s.*, but with interest and charges, to 6,892*l.* 5*s.*; that many of the creditors are or will be ruined for want of their money, and that they showed their good affection by maintaining Smart during his long imprisonment under the bishops. 13 May 1654. With reference thereon to Council, 10 Aug. 1654. [1¼ *sheets.*]

Aug. 21. Order in Council on report thereon for payment of the 6,892*l.* 5*s.* from dean and chapter lands undisposed of after all the debts charged on them are satisfied. Also for an Ordinance to be brought in for further doubling on the remainder of dean and chapter lands after this sum is paid. Passed 29 Aug. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 515, 538.] *Annexing,*

97. I. *Report on which the said order is founded.* [¾ *page.*]

Aug. 21. **98.** Petition of Jos. Butler, Hen. Symball, George Hussey, and Anne Faukard, widow, to Council, for payment which was suspended of the remainder of their bills for sea and post journeys [*see* 2 *June suprâ*] for these reasons:—

1. The service by sea is very hazardous, and one of them lost his life in it.

2. By their diligence, the dispatches trusted to them arrived seasonably.

3. They have consulted seamen as to their demand for sailing.

4. The year for which the demands were made was one of much action, and they had to go from place to place to find the fleet.

5. Like allowances were made by the former Council of State, but it is hoped this occasion of expense will be prevented in future.

6. The husband of one of the petitioners has since died, and his family are exposed to want and ruin.

7. Their riding post, when needful for haste, is above their ordinary charge of 6*d.* a mile, and 2*s.* 6*d.* a stage was formerly added. [1 *sheet.*]

Aug. 21. Order thereon for payment of the sums suspended, and for allowance at 2*s.* 6*d.* a stage in future for riding post. [*I.* 75, *p.* 520.]

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Aug. 21. **99.** Petition of Peter Barr to the Council of State, for a pass for 2 English horses for himself, having urgent occasions to travel beyond the seas, but he finds there is a prohibition for exporting horses. [½ *page.*]

Aug. 21. Order in Council granting the request. [*I.* 75, *p.* 522; *I.* 112, *p.* 57; *I.* 113, *p.* 42.]

Aug. 21. **100.** Petition of gentlemen, ministers, and freeholders, co. Leicester, to the Protector and Council. Mr. Prettiman, high sheriff, has returned Henry Earl of Stamford and Thos. Beaumont, who were not only unduly elected, but are not qualified according to the instrument. We beg an examination, and summons for both parties, and witnesses. [½ *page, no signatures.*] *Annexing,*

100. I. *Articles against the Earl, that he has assisted the late King of Scots, and is not of good conversation.* [⅓ *page.*]

100. II. *Like articles against Beaumont.* [⅓ *page.*]

Aug. 21. Notes of petitions, all in *I.* 92, referred to the Committee for Petitions, of their reports and of orders thereon in Council, all in *I.* 75; viz.:—

Sir Chas. Hanmer, of Hanmer, co. Flint, Bart., for naturalisation of his son William, born in France, on his wife's travelling there for business. Ordinance accordingly. [*I.* 92, *No.* 124; *I.* 75, *p.* 514.]

Hen. Knap, for payment from Haberdashers' Hall of 125*l.* for 6¼ years' use of his house in Wallingford castle, on an order of the Council of State of 28 Jan. 1852–3, the late restraint notwithstanding. Ordered payment from the revenue in Ireland, whither he is going. [*No.* 160, *p.* 518.]

Thos. Smith and other masters of Trinity House, for settlement of its government by incorporation, the maintaining of many poor seamen, and other public services depending thereon; by direction of the late Council of State, the Attorney-General prepared a charter and a bill for the poor, which by Parliament order have been twice examined by the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal and 9 judges, and a docquet prepared a few days before the dissolving of the late Parliament.

His Highness to be requested to pass a charter, by advice of counsel, giving such power for relief of the sea poor as the law will admit, and the papers transferred to the Committee for Trade to be delivered to Mr. Keeling. Order that the charter be prepared as speedily as possible. [*No.* 24a, *p.* 518.]

Rowland Pitt, the late King's purveyor, for a lease of Milton manor, one of 3 discovered by him, in respect of his arrears and sufferings. To be considered on Wednesday. [*No.* 179, *p.* 520.]

Lieut.-Col. Fras. Fairfax, that 573*l.* 9*s.* arrears and disbursements may be paid him out of a discovery of great value to be made by him, and that it may be received by some members of Council. Referred to Skippon and Major, to examine its reality and value. [*No.* 165, *p.* 526.]

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1. Approval by the Protector of 6 Ordinances, all of which were passed and 2 ordered to be printed.

2. An Ordinance for repealing the powers of the Irish Commissioners read the 2nd time, and to be presented to his Highness. Approved 22 Aug.

3. An Ordinance appointing salaries for the persons who are to be Council for Ireland, read, and agreed to. Approved 22 Aug.

5. Also an Ordinance for satisfying Gen. Monk's arrears. Approved 22 Aug. *Annexing,*

101. I. *Report by the Committee of Council on a reference of* 20 *April on Gen. Monk's petition,* [*see* 18 *April* 1654] *that an Ordinance be issued authorising the Commissioners to state his accounts for all services, and that they should be paid from the lands of rebels named in cos. Wicklow and Wexford; but as those lands are already charged as security for the soldiery, the person to whom those lands fall shall have in lieu thereof land in the* 4 *counties of Dublin, Cork, Kildare, and Catherlaugh, reserved free by the instrument of Government.* [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

7. Several papers exhibited by the Lord President from the Dutch ambassadors concerning the Peace of Amsterdam, being in the same condition as the King Solomon and St. John, taken by the Constant Warwick, brought to Plymouth, and discharged last Friday, referred to the Committee who considered the other ships, to report tomorrow.

8. The petition of Wm. Bosseville referred to Skippon, Rous, and Major, to report. *Annexing,*

102. I. *Report by Skippon on the petition of Wm. Bosseville and Capt. Nich. Sanderson, for payment for losses and arrears of* 2,040*l.* *and* 1,475*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.*, *that Parliament ordered Bosseville's father and Sanderson the* $\frac{1}{2}$ *of delinquents' estates discovered by them, on which Bosseville has received* 1,095*l.* 8*s.* *and Sanderson* 265*l.* *His Highness refers them to Council, and thinks they should be satisfied.* [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

10. **103.** The Admiralty Commissioners to provide and send to the garrison of Inverlochy in Scotland the following particulars:—

3 whole culverins
6 demi-culverins
3 sackers.
} each with field carriages complete, shot, and other necessaries.

300 spear pikes.
200 snaphance muskets.
200 collars of bandoleers.
40 felling axes with helves.
60 axes and hatchets.
A forge, anvil, vice, bellows, and other smith's tools.
2 sets of carpenter's tools.
1 ton of iron and 2 cwt. of steel.

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1 grindstone fitted.
1 double gin furnished.
5 barrels of pitch and 1 of tar.
1 pair of stillyards.
20,000 10*d.* nails.
20,000 8*d.*, 6*d.*, and 4*d.* nails.

13. The account of Col. Rob. Hammond, which has been examined by Thos. Fauconberg, referred to Jones, Major, and Rous, to report.

23. Order on report in the case of well affected tenants to delinquent landlords in co. Chester [*see* 11 *Aug. suprà*] referring their complaints to Sir Geo. Booth, Bart., and 9 others, to compose the differences if possible; if not to report where the default lies, that further order may be taken. Approved 28 Aug.

24. Like reference for the tenants of co. Lancaster to Sir Ralph Ashton, of Whalley, and 13 others. Approved 28 Aug. *Annexing,*

104. I. *Proposal for the said* 2 *orders of reference.* [1 *sheet.*]

25. Like reference for the tenants of co. Cumberland to Chas. Howard and 6 others. Approved 2 Sept.

28. Letters to be prepared to the sheriffs of the several counties, containing lists of the persons returned as chosen to serve in the next Parliament within the respective shriefdoms, as approved by Council, against whom no exception is depending, that they may give notice to the persons chosen. The most remote counties to be sent to first.

31. The report from Commissary-General Whalley, Col. Clark, and Col. Goffe, on a reference concerning moneys received by Col. Mat. Tomlinson from the Army Committee, for which his account is not yet passed, agreed to and confirmed, and to be transmitted to the Army Committee, who are to allow Tomlinson the sums mentioned.

34. The Committee for public debts to transmit to Council an account of their proceedings on a discovery of part of the personal estate of the late Earl of Worcester, in the hands of Lady Montague, for which a former order was passed in Council.

37. Order on a paper signed by his Highness of 18 Aug. 1654, that the names of Major Boteler, Major Ant. Markham, and Thos. Smallwood, chaplain to the Major General's regiment, be inserted into the Ordinance for additional security to the army out of forest lands, they having had no satisfaction or security for their arrears. *Annexing,*

105. I. *Request of the Protector alluded to,* 18 *Aug.* 1654. [⅓ *page.*]

41, 42. **106.** Lambert, Wolsley, Strickland, Jones, and Sydenham to be a Committee to consider how 600*l.* a year, allowed the widow of Gen. Deane out of Lord Gerard's estate, may be settled on her, and discharged of the incumbrances on the estate, and to report; the orders formerly made containing the aforesaid gift, confirmed. With note of amendments in the Ordinance for regulating Chancery. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 514–522.]

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Aug. 21. **107.** Petition of Capt. Jonas Poole, of the Swiftsure, to the Admiralty Committee. Begs compensation for the loss of time, and for wages, and travelling expenses. Was ordered out of his own ship, richly laden, by Capt. Rich. Badiley, Commander-in-Chief in the Straits, as also by Mr. Longland, agent there, to succeed Capt. Appleton as commander of the Leopard, then at Leghorn; and was sent to Venice to treat about fitting out English merchant ships for the service of the commonwealth, which he performed at the hazard of his life, and at great expense; his ship having sailed for England, on his return to Leghorn, had to come to England overland, with his servant, and a guide. With reference to the Navy Commissioners, to see whether he was paid by Badiley or Longland, and if not, to certify. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 21. **108.** Order in the Admiralty Committee that as John Poortmans desires his dismission from the office of secretary to the Generals of the Fleet, and deputy treasurer to the fleet, Rich. Creed be appointed to succeed him, with the same allowances and salary. [¾ *page.*] *Annexing,*

108. I. *Note by Creed requesting that his salary may begin from* 8 *Sept.* 1654, *when Poortmans was paid off.* [*Scrap.*]

Aug. 21. **109.** Articles addressed to the Protector against Rich. Read, one of the members of Parliament chosen for co. Hereford.

That he was a commissioner for the King since 1641, and was active in encouraging the people against Parliament.

That he lived in the King's quarters, and in constant intercourse with Sir Barnaby Scudamore, governor of Hereford, prevented the countrymen from joining Col. Massey against the town, and attacked them as they retired.

That he was in actual service, and now only associates with Papists, malignants, &c. [1 *sheet.*]

Aug. 22. **110.** Petition and remonstrance of divers godly and well-affected persons in Hereford to the Protector. We think it a great happiness that the Lord led your Highness and Council to resolve on a triennial Parliament, with such qualifications for the members, and such penalties for those not qualified as we thought would deter the enemy from intermeddling with that work.

But we tremble at the issue when members who were in arms for the late King (Rich. Read and Bennet Hoskins), are elected by Papists and malignants, and by those who, though seeming friends, are ready to join with any prevailing party, so that the enemies of the reformation hope to bring in the old superstitions, and advance the malignant interest.

The members were to be of known reputation and fearing God, but in many places, without careful scrutiny, malignants, prelaticals, or neuters in Christ's cause, will be returned, who will more regard their own interest than the advancement of religion. We therefore beg that no worldly policy will induce any member of Council to approve any person for this great employment without a signal

testimony of grace, and declaration of fidelity to the commonwealth. Signed by 6 justices of peace, 8 ministers, and 201 others, but the last 23 signatures are duplicates. [3 *sheets.*]

Aug. 22. Act for regulating and limiting the jurisdiction of the High Court of Chancery :—

1. After 22 Oct. 1654, there are to be attorneys in Chancery, not exceeding 60, nominated by the Master of the Rolls, and they shall manage each cause at a fee of 3*s.* 4*d.*
2. Instead of 6 clerks in Chancery, there shall be 3, the first 3 being Laurence Maidwell, Mat. Pindar, and Rob. Hales, who are not to act as attorneys, but execute other duties; their successors to be appointed by the Master of the Rolls.
3. All bills, answers, &c., to be filed with the chief clerk in whose office the attorney is, and the clerk to report any abuse or unfaithfulness in an attorney.

4–37. Details of modes of proceeding in Chancery suits.

38. The attorneys to keep affidavits, show them when requested to the attorneys on the other side, and have them filed by a clerk of affidavits.
39. The former rules of the Court about paupers to be observed, but in cases where costs are ordered, unless they are paid, the party is to be whipped or sent to the house of correction.
40. All causes to be set down and heard in the order of publication.
41. All to be heard on the day appointed, and if needful, the Lords Commissioners to sit in afternoons.
42. All causes to be heard the term after publication, or if they are too many, to be heard on certain days next after the term.
43. After 25 March next, no relief to be given in Chancery against bonds for payment of money.
44. Nor on any agreement about lands, unless it be so averred in the bill, or unless the possession has gone along with the party claiming the trust.

45–53. Further regulations about cases that may or may not be dealt with in Chancery.

54–59. Orders relating to the 4 registrars in Chancery.

60. When a bill is dismissed by the rules of the Court, or order before hearing, the defendant to have full costs.

61, 62. Plaintiff or defendant, when the decree is against them, to pay the other party full costs.

63. Parties aggrieved by decrees in Chancery may appeal within 3 months, and have a re-hearing, on deposit of 50*l.* for costs.
64. No defendant who is sued by an officer in Chancery shall be forced to appear in the Petty Bag office.

65–68. Chancery officers to take no other fees than here set down.

Tables of fees in all cases to be taken by the officers in Chancery, viz., the Master of the Rolls, masters in Chancery, Subpœna office,

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clerks and attorneys, registrars, and examiners. [37 *pp., printed. Coll. of Acts, Vol.* 2, *No.* 91, *Record Office Library,* 498 *F.*]

Aug. 22. **111.** Petition of the Vice-chancellor, masters, and scholars of Cambridge University to the Protector. King James, for better maintenance of the divinity professor, settled on him Somersham Rectory, co. Hunts, to which the university was to present him. On the death of Dr. Sam. Collins, Dr. John Arrowsmith was chosen professor, and presented to the rectory, and took it by order of a Committee of Parliament, who afterwards, at the instance of some, suspended the possession, and voted that 200*l.* a year should be settled on the place instead, intending to report to Parliament; but other business has prevented, so that for 2 years the professor has been hindered from the emolument. We beg that, out of your great zeal for the advancement of learning, you will see that the professors enjoy the benefit of so noble a gift. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 22. Order in Council that 200*l.* a year be settled on the Regius Professor in Cambridge out of some donative in his Highness' gift instead of Somersham rectory. Rous and Cooper to confer with the Vice-chancellor and Mr. Nye thereon, and report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 522.]

Aug. 22. Note of a petition referred to the Committee for petitions, of Charles Earl of Nottingham, and Lady Arabella, his countess, for payment by the Commissioners of Customs of their proportions of an annuity of 500*l.* charged on the customs, &c. of the port of London, 23 Feb. last, the late Treasury Ordinance notwithstanding. Order for payment accordingly [*I.* 92, *No.* 121; *I.* 75, *p.* 524.]

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2. Jones, Wolsley, and Mackworth to consider an augmentation for the principal of Jesus College, Cambridge, and how to settle an augmentation for the minister of Wimbledon out of tithes in that parish.

3. The Committee of Council for the Treasury, with the Army Committee, to call the late treasurers at war to account for the remainder of 150,000*l.* appointed for payment of the arrears of the soldiers in Scotland.

4. The 1,000*l.* accepted as a fine for Sir John Packington's delinquency ordered to be paid to the treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall, to be paid by them to the widow and children of Wm. Guise, executed by the enemy at Worcester for faithfulness to the Commonwealth, in satisfaction for 100*l.* a year ordered them by Parliament, Sept. 6, 1651. Passed 25 Aug.

5. Lord Henry Cromwell to be Lord Lieutenant of the State's forces in Ireland, and his Highness advised to commissionate him.

6. Order that in lieu of a Parliament order granting Col. Rob. Hammond 400*l.* a year from the revenue, till as much be settled on him from delinquents' estates, lands value 600*l.* a year be settled on him in cos. Dublin, Cork, Kildare, or Caterlaugh, at the rate which they yielded in 1640, and the lord deputy and council in Ireland are to set them out. Ordinance passed 23 Aug.

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7. Order on the accounts of Col. Hammond, Governor of the Isle of Wight, as reported by Col. Jones, viz., receipts 6,350*l.*, payments 5,387*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.*, making the balance due by him 962*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.* that he be allowed,—

	£	s.	d.
For his own pay as colonel -	67	14	0
For 4 squadrons of Newport men for service at Carisbrooke Castle - - -	200	0	0
Account to Mr. Serle and Fowkett for beer - - . -	200	0	0

8. That he be absolutely discharged of the 962*l.* 4*s.* 6*d.*, Council being satisfied that it was disbursed for public and emergent service.

9. That he be absolutely discharged of the 6,350*l.* received, and that the Exchequer officers prepare his quietus. *Annexing,*

112. I. *Accounts of Col. Hammond in* 1647 *and* 1648, *including the expenses of the King and his guards in the Isle of Wight.* [1 *page.*]

112. II. *Exceptions by Mr. Fauconberg to the said accounts. and replies thereto.* [½ *page.*]

10. An Ordinance for confirmation of the laws, &c. of sewers, made concerning Robert Earl of Lindsey's undertaking to drain the Lincoln fens, reported by Wolsley, read, recommitted to the former Committee, and to be reported next Friday.

11. The Ordinance concerning sinodalls, &c. referred to his Highness' counsel learned, to consider its nature and report.

13. To the Ordinance of June 29 to pay the Earl of Mulgrave 1,000*l.*, these words to be added, "The Ordinance for bringing the "public revenue into one treasury notwithstanding."

14. An Ordinance for regulating printing read, and referred to Mackworth, Wolsley, Jones, and Lambert, to advise with the counsel learned, and report.

15, 16. Mr. Kinnersley, the wardrobe keeper, to provide such hangings, chairs, carpets, &c. for the rooms adjoining the Parliament House called the Speaker's Chambers,—and the surveyor of works to make such reparations in and about the Parliament House and rooms belonging as Ed. Birkhead, the serjeant-at-arms, deems necessary.

17. The said serjeant-at-arms to make sufficient provision of wood, coals, candles, &c. for Parliament.

18. The rolls lying on the top of the Parliament House to be removed to the place formerly appointed for them. Mr. Scobell to see it done.

19. Order on report from the Committee on Col. Rich. Fortescue's petition,—showing that by a debenture from the Commissioners for co. Cornwall, according to an order of Parliament of 24 Dec. 1647, 2,874*l.* 9*s.* was due to him, and that by an order of

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18 April 1649 so much of delinquents' lands as he should discover should be settled on him till his arrears were satisfied,—that he be inserted in the Ordinance for additional security to the soldiers out of the 4 forests.

21. Order on a report from the Committee on Lady Jane Gorges' case [*see p.* 3 *suprà*], that from the profits of the 6*d.* writs in Chancery, there be paid her 100*l.* a year for life, or to 13 Jan. 1689, for which time the office was granted to Sir Jas. Levingston, with arrears since sequestration of the office; to be paid by Sir Wm. Allanson, clerk of the hanaper, and the residue of the profits to go to the State. *Annexing,*

113. I. *Report by Recorder Wm. Steele, T. Sadler, and Lisle Long, certifying the validity of the several deeds under which Lady Gorges claims* [*see* 15 *March and* 6 *July suprà*]; *that they have not been revoked, and that therefore the sequestration laid on for Lord Newburgh's delinquency should be taken off.* [1 *page.*]

113. II. *Request that the Committee will consider that when Sir Wm. Allanson entered on the profits, the* ½ *year's rent was paid before hand, and it will be due before it can be received out of the profits of the office.* [½ *page.*]

22. The petition of Thomas Lord Fairfax, son of the late Ferdinand Lord Fairfax, and his executors,—being persons nominated in trust for the benefit of his grandchildren and others,—and a report from several judges annexed, referred to Lambert, Jones, Wolsley, and Cooper, to report.

23. The Sequestration Commissioners to receive and determine Capt. Hippisley's discovery, and to insert the same in the order of —August.

25. Approval of 4 Ordinances by the Protector. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 522–526.]

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Pres. Lawrence to the sheriffs of counties. Council on consideration of the returns of the elections for co. —— and the places in it, approves of the persons whose names are enclosed, and requires you to give them notice of their approbation of them as qualified persons for members of Parliament. [*I.* 75, *p.* 521.]

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114. Petition of Geo. Hughes, and the rest of the company of the Thomas Bonadventure to the Admiralty Committee. Thanks for their letter to the Admiralty judges for speedy determining the case about the impress of their ship at Porto Longone, but Dr. Walker, advocate, and others of the best of the counsel being retained for their adversaries, they will be great sufferers without speedy relief. Beg that Walker may not be admitted as counsel against them, the impressing of the ship being for the service. [⅔ *page, see* 1 *Feb.* 1653.]

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115. M. M. [Secretary Nicholas] to Mr. Jane. Thanks for the advertisements in yours of 21 and 22 Aug., which are more than in any other letters from those parts. Name in yours what letters you receive of mine; I hope you had mine from here of $\frac{15}{25}$ August.

Cromwell, by his fleet in the Downs, keeps all the neighbouring princes in awe of him, but it must be an excessive expense to England to maintain so many ships so long; yet he will abate no forces by sea or land till he sees how this Parliament are likely to fix. Many of the members are notorious Presbyterians, and some say will never be brought to Cromwell's ends, though it is said he now seems resolved to run absolutely their way, with which the Independents and Anabaptists (the greatest part of his army) will be much unsatisfied. What do you hear there of his permitting so many Presbyterians to be of his Parliament? Inquire still of the motions of the rebels' fleet, and let me know.

Some here think it's kept on foot to terrify that State into a compliance with some of the ruling party in Holland, and I believe it will so prove in the end. It's probable Cromwell will purge the new elections for Parliament, (under pretence of such as are not upright men) till he has brought them all to be of his impious principles.

The Spaniard's infinite loss before Arras has brought that crown so low in forces and reputation, that if their friend Cromwell do not help them, France will soon overrun Flanders. We hear the French, since the siege of Arras was raised, will now sit down before Lisle, which is a place of importance, but weak in men and provisions, all being exhausted for the Spanish army before Arras. The French will probably not prosecute their advantage; the success of France should make Holland more inclined to alliance with her. What say MM. *Somerdyke* and *Rinlaw* to it?

Hemfleet and his lady are as great with the *Princess Royal* here as ever, and the *King*, in compliance with *her*, is so civil to them that I forbear to speak to *him* of M. *Somerdyke's* business.

I hear that *Sir E. Hunt's* (?) *lady* is coming to the *Hague*. I doubt not but she will make all the *Queen* [*of Bohemia's*] family there very open-mouthed against *Sir Edw. Hyde*, and all that wish him well. Nay she spares not to inveigh against *the King himself*, which I hope the good *Queen* will not endure.

Direct your letters to "M. le Chevalier Nicholas, secretaire du Roy de la Grande Bretagne, à Aix," and when I know when and where the King intends to remove, I will give you another address; but he has entered on a course of bathing which will last 10 days, and will not remove this fortnight.

I send you news confirmed from several parts, which you are to divulge there. An honest man from England says the general report in Scotland is that the rebels' fleet is designed (having 8,000 landsmen) to assist the State of Holland against the other 6 Provinces, in case they shall not comply with the acts and orders of the party now ruling, and that they will come to the Brill. What do you hear, and why is the Rheingrave sent for in such haste to the Hague? I fear there will be intestine troubles, and Cromwell's design is to make divisions among them.

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Col. Bampfield was lately met riding between Dover and Canterbury, and the Dover postmaster had orders to furnish him with post horses when he arrived. He came from France, and was there caressed principally by Lord Jermyn and his party at the Palais Royal. What say you to this?

Some persuade the King to extraordinary compliance with the Presbyterian party, because so many of them are chosen to sit in this mock Parliament. Can you believe that Cromwell will ever rely on the Presbyterians? Lord Wentworth is now sworn of His Majesty's Privy Council. Give the enclosed to Somerdyke, if he is still there. I hope the plague will now diminish there.

P.S. Remember me to Sir Miles Hobart and Dr. Whittaker. In case I die, deliver my will, which I left with you, to my wife. [3 *pp. holograph; the Italics are in cipher, deciphered.*]

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[Aug. 23.] **1.** Petition of the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of London to the Protector. Within the last 6 months, part of the roof [on the south side] of Paul's Church fell down, with the lead that covered it. The city is in great want of water, and has to procure a further supply, which will be very chargeable. We beg the lead towards making pipes for its conveyance. With reference, 15 Aug. 1654, to Council. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 23. Order thereon in Council granting the petition, and authorising them to carry away and dispose of the lead. [*I.* 75, *p.* 526.]

Aug. 23. Note of a petition referred 10 Aug. 1654 to the Committee for Petitions, of Capt. Rich. Pechell, for 100*l.* a year out of the revenue, till he can have the 100*l.* a year allowed him from delinquents' estates. Order in Council for lands in Ireland, value 120*l.* a year, to be settled on him. [*I.* 92, *No.* 221; *I.* 75, *p.* 527.]

Aug. 23. **2.** Petition of Edw. Sexby to the Protector. The justice of my cause, and the damage by 10 months' delay compel me to appeal to you. I beg your order for satisfaction, or if, after all my hazards and expense for the public, for which payment has so often been voluntarily promised, I must expect nothing, I beg that it may be declared as your resolve, so that I may be freed from further charge and attendance. [½ *page.*]

Aug. 23. Order thereon in Council for payment to him of 1,000*l.* from the excise, in full of all demands. [*I.* 75, *p.* 528.]

[Aug. 23.] **3.** Petition of Sir David Hasteville to the Protector. You know my services and losses, and have preserved my distressed lady and children from perishing by granting me 10*s.* a week, which is the only support of 10 of us; but we are now perishing for want of bread, and I have been several times in prison since I came from Worcester

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siege. I was ordered by Parliament 450*l.* from Haberdashers' Hall, but only 100*l.* has been paid, and the 350*l.* is insufficient to pay my debts. I beg an order for its payment, and a pension. With reference thereon to Council, 31 July 1654. [1¼ *pages.*] *Annexing,*

3. I. *Order in Parliament for payment to him of* 450*l.*, *balance of* 500*l. ordered from Haberdashers' Hall,* 9 *July* 1649. *With receipt of* 100*l.*, 14 *Sept.* 1649. [¾ *page.*]

Aug. 23. Order thereon in Council that the Goldsmiths' Hall treasurers pay him the 10*s.* a week, with arrears, the late Ordinance notwithstanding. Approved 28 Aug. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 529, 537.]

[Aug. 23.] **4.** Petition of Roger Lord Broghill to the Protector. In 6 Charles, Frome Selwood Forest, co. Somerset, was disafforested, and divided into three parts, ⅓ to the King, ⅓ to the lords and owners, and ⅓ to the tenants claiming common. In 1641, my father, the late Earl of Cork, bought Marstin Biggot manor of the owner, Sir John Hippesley, and had right to 800 acres in the forest, paying 1,000*l.* to the King for his ⅓, and the King promised him an Act of Parliament for disafforestation, if required. But the commoners have taken advantage of the late troubles to throw open the enclosures, which 5 years since they were by the Council of State ordered to make good, but I, being on public employment in Ireland, could not take advantage of the order. I beg an order to the sheriff or other officer to assist me in making up the enclosures, and to quiet me in possession of the land. With reference thereon to Council, 19 July 1654, to give him the same order as was given to the owners of other parts of the forest. [1 *sheet; see* 17 *June* 1653.]

Aug. 23. Order in Council thereon that a letter be written to John Ashe, John Hippesley, John Carey, and — Buckland, and the rest of the justices of peace for Somerset, to preserve peace in this particular case, and to prevent any spoil of the said estate, calling the officers and soldiers thereabouts to assist. [*I.* 75, *p.* 529.]

Aug. 23. **5.** Petition of Rowland Pitt, the late King's purveyor for sea fish, to the Protector and Council. Besides 7 years' arrears of wages, 2,800*l.* is due to me for fish for the household, for which I have paid 1,000*l.* interest, and my loss of estate and trade are above 5,000*l.* Also I brought in plate, money, and horses value 100*l.* in the wars. I had 600*l.* allotted me in the last Somerset House list, but could get nothing because I could not advance 60*l.*

By my means Parliament exempted from the Act of Oblivion Sir Jas. Bagg's estate, of which I should have ⅕. I also discovered and got a lease of Milton manor, co. Devon, and 2 other manors which were lying waste, but am opposed by John Masham, to whose brother Thomas, the late King at Oxford granted a lease of it and 2 others for ever, which is void in law, and he persuades the tenants not to pay me rent. I beg a lease of Milton for 31 years, and an order to receive my former rents. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

5. I. *Full report of the case and the several grants and leases of the estate, and recommending the said lease.* [1 *sheet.*]

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Aug. 23. Order thereon that he have a year's lease to enable him to buy his title, and that the tenants pay him the rent due on his former lease. Approved 28 Aug. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 530, 531.]

Aug. 23. **6.** Petition of divers freeholders and others qualified to vote in the election of knights for the isle of Ely to Council. We assembled at Wisbeach on 12 July for the election, resolving to vote for Secretary Thurloe and Lieut.-Col. Fras. Underwood of Whittlesey, knowing their fidelity and piety, but found that Geo. Glapthorne, chief bailiff of the isle, and the person appointed to view and judge of the election, was employing his under-bailiffs in every hundred to obtain votes for himself among those who feared arrest or being returned on juries, though being reputed sheriff of the isle, he is not eligible. To gain his purpose he appointed Wisbeach, where he has most influence, as the place of election, but spread rumours that it would be at Ely, so that many were surprised. Then by refusing some qualified voters and admitting others unqualified, he procured his own return. We beg redress. [*Copy,* 3½ *sheets of signatures in* 3 *columns.*] *Annexing,*

6. I. *Exceptions against Glapthorne's election; his conduct in the election as above related; that he is a prisoner for debt in the Upper Bench, a swearer and tippler, and an ill manager of his own family. Also,*

Exceptions to the proceedings of Glapthorne and Edm. Ferrour in the election; the discharging a trusty clerk, and putting in one fit for their purpose; giving no oath and admitting unqualified persons to vote; closing the poll at 9 *p.m., when many were waiting to vote for Underwood, but could not come near, because of noisy drunkards making outcries for Glapthorne, by which* 120 *persons were excluded; counting the votes themselves; and refusing to allow Underwood to inspect the books, &c.* [1 *sheet.*]

6. II. *List of* 124 *persons of Whittlesey, Littleport, Thorney, Sutton, Chatteris, and Stretham, who were excluded the poll,* 12 *and* 13 *July* 1654. [2⅔ *columns.*]

Aug. 23. **7.** Petition of Geo. Glapthorne to Council. I always adhered to Parliament, and contributed beyond my estate, sending 4 horses, 2 of which I maintained and recruited, and was at much other expense, known to his Highness. Being duly elected for the Isle of Ely, I find a petition against me, with exceptions interwoven with libels, procured by Col. Underwood, who, since these times, has got an estate of 800*l.* or 1,000*l.* a year; he combined with Capt. Harrison, who bears me malice for obtaining an order that he should account for vast sums which he received as treasurer on an Ordinance for money lent for reducing Crowland, &c., with which he purchased lands, thereby to defraud 100 persons, some of whom now live by charity, for which he was indicted at the assizes. For this he made it his business to traduce me, telling the people that I was going to join with Col. Rigby to take away their marshes. His malicious

practises being frustrated, he defames me with scandalous aspersions. I beg leave to vindicate myself before anything be resolved against me. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 23. **8.** Petition of John Mews and Amos Persons, for other citizens of London, to Council. We acknowledge God's mercies "through the actings of some choice instruments in army and Parliament," and hope their continuance; but some persons are chosen as city members who are incapable by the instrument, and whose actions have shown disaffection, so that we fear by such men, if they sit in Parliament, to be bereft of our present mercies, and disappointed of our future hopes. We beg a hearing of what we have to offer against them. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

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3. An Ordinance for settling lands of 600*l.* a year in Ireland on Col. Robert Hammond and his heirs read, and passed by his Highness and Council.

5. To advise his Highness that Col. Hen. Cromwell be commissioned one of the Council for Ireland.

7. An Ordinance giving further powers to the Treasury Commissioners read, and committed to Jones, Lambert, Mackworth, and Wolsley, to consult with the Treasury Commissioners, and report.

8. Further amendments to the Ordinance for surveying the 4 forests for security of officers' and soldiers' arrears read, and agreed to.

9. Order on report on the petition of Sir Rob. Pye, jun., (*see* 9*May suprà*), that Col. Montague signify to him that as Parliament, of which he is a member, is near at hand, he can apply there, and therefore has made no order. *Annexing,*

9. I. *Report thereon certifying the case, as it appears from his petition and papers.* [1 *page.*]

11. Order on report of the Committee on the case of Dorcas Braine, that Mr. Major distribute between her and her 8 children 100*l.* from the estate of the late Henry Ransoe, alien.

16. The petition of Thos. Shadwell and John Thompson referred to Sydenham, Jones, Strickland, and Mackworth, to report.

21. Order on Mr. Rous' report—that the moneys due to Rob. Inglis and Alex. Finlaw are, principal and interest, 4,490*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*, of which 1,000*l.* being paid on a former order, 3,490*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* is still due,—that the said sum be charged on the Excise. Approved 28 Aug. *Annexing,*

10. I. *Full statement of their debts on contracts with Gualter Frost for supplies for Ireland in* 1642–3, *with interest thereon to March* 1653, 4,490*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*, *besides* 1,420*l.* *interest, all of which, by letter of attorney, is to be received by Inglis.* [2$\frac{2}{3}$ *pages.*]

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10. II. *Copy of the above, with note that the debt is a just debt from Mr. Frost, who was employed by Parliament, and should either be paid by the State, or the order of indemnity that Frost's executors be not sued should be revoked.* [3 *pages.*]

10. III. *Report that on conference with Mr. Inglis he requests* 500*l.* *in hand, and the rest charged on a visible treasury, that the security of payment may satisfy his creditors, or he will be ruined.* [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page, draft.*]

22. The state of the case on Capt. Hen. Peck's petition about ironworks in Dean Forest, presented by Col. Mackworth, read. *Annexing,*

11. I. *Report by Col. Jones, Col. Mackworth, and Sir Ant. Cooper, that one of King Charles' lessees of the iron works in Dean Forest assigned his interest to the petitioner's father, Hen. Peck, for a debt, of which* 4,281*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.* *remains due. The other lessees surrendered to the King, who granted the estate to Sir John Winter. In October* 1645, *the ironworks were passed by Parliament to Col. Massey, and on Peck's applying to Parliament, they ordered him payment out of* $\frac{2}{3}$ *of Papists' estates. The matter is of such a nature that it should be considered by the next Parliament.* 26 *April* 1654. [1 *page.*]

11. II. *Fuller report* [*by the Commissioners for removing Obstructions*], *giving particulars of the whole transactions, from* 8 *July* 1636 *to* 29 *March* 1654. [$2\frac{1}{3}$ *pages.*]

25. Order on the case of René Augier, formerly employed as agent for the Parliament in France, that for his satisfaction in that service, the Prize goods' Commissioners pay him 1,000*l.*, on receipt of which there is to be paid to Eliz. Turgis what he owes her for food and lodging in France. The Treasury Commissioners to see her paid. The former Committee to bring in an Ordinance accordingly.

26. Order on consideration of Sir Wm. Selby's losses in the late wars, and his good service and that of his lady, in keeping and curing sick and wounded soldiers, that 3,000*l.* be allowed him out of Scotch fines, and that those appointed to receive them pay it. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 526–530.]

Aug. 24. **12.** Petition of Wm. Jones, minister at Denbigh, to Council. In 1647 I was appointed by the County Sequestration Committee, and was ordered the tithes and profits of the parsonage, being a sinecure, as an augmentation to the vicarage, both being sequestered, and not amounting to 100*l.* a year. This was confirmed by the Society for Propogation of the Gospel in Wales, and I have enjoyed it 7 years, but now Wm. Carter takes away the tithes, on a pretence of being farmer to Hugh Lloyd, minister of Fordham, co. Cambridge; the parsonage is claimed by virtue of a grant 15 years since from the late

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Bishop of St. Asaph. The aldermen and justices of peace, instead of assisting me on my request, encourage him, or say they can do nothing because it is not within the corporation. I beg relief. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 24. Order thereon that Jones have the profits of the parsonage, and that the justices of peace, aldermen, &c. assist him to receive them. Approved 28 Aug. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 532, 537.]

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1. Order on a paper from the Dutch Ambassadors that the Peace of Amsterdam, taken by the Constant Warwick and brought to Plymouth with her lading and company, be forthwith released, and the Prize Goods' Commissioners permit her to proceed.

3, 4. Lisle's report on Allan Apsley's petition, to be admitted to the benefit of the Barnstaple Articles, not to be put to the question, but his petition recommitted to Lisle, Wolsley, Cooper, and Strickland, to report.

5. The petition of Mary Sankey referred to Lisle, Jones, Wolsley, and Mackworth, to report.

6. Order on a petition of the parishioners of Martin's, Ironmonger's Lane, London, and on an order of the Committee for Reformation of the Universities annexed, that the augmentation of 60*l.* per annum, granted to Dr. John Arrowsmith, late minister of the parish, and continued to Wm. Styles, be continued to John Fuller, present minister, by the Trustees for maintenance of Ministers, with arrears. Approved 28 Aug.

7. The petition of the masters or governors and assistants of the barbers and chirugeons of London referred to Skippon, Rous, and Major, to report.

8. An Ordinance for uniting the rectories of Wimbourne St. Giles and Wimbourne All Saints read, and agreed to.

9. The augmentation of 60*l.* a year, formerly allowed to Mr. Crofts, lecturer at Carisbrook, Isle of Wight, now removed thence, to be transferred to Cowes, and 20*l.* more added by the Treasurers for maintenance of Ministers, to make 80*l.* a year for a minister at West Cowes, where there are many people and no minister. An Ordinance to be prepared. Approved 28 Aug.

10. The Trustees for maintenance of Ministers to add 20*l.* to the augmentation formerly granted to Mr. Tutchin, minister of Newport, Isle of Wight. Approved 28 Aug.

11. The Ordinance for vesting in the mayor and burgesses of Berwick-on-Tweed lands in the town, for perpetual repair of the bridges, &c., after considering objections and answers thereto, agreed to.

12. An Ordinance touching probate of wills, and granting administrations and legacies, read.

13. Justice Hale to be sent for to bring up the papers prepared by him concerning the probate of wills. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 531–533.]

Aug. 24. **13.** Order in the Admiralty Committee that Gen. Desborow report to the Protector and Council,—on their reference of the petitions

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of Geo. Payler, surveyor, and Col. Jno. White, clerk, Jno. Falkener, storekeeper, and Capt. Wm. Billers, clerk of the deliveries of the ordnance, for payment of their arrears of 4,026*l.* 12*s.* 9½*d.*, due to the 3 first for 11 years' service, and to the last for 6½ years,—that 2,013*l.* 6*s.* 5¾*d.* should be paid, the debt having long depended; but they, having received encouragement for extra service, are content to accept one half as full payment. [1 *page.*]

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14. Order in the Committee of Council for elections, fixing Aug. 30 for proving the contents of a petition by the free burgesses of Bristol, concerning the persons returned to serve in Parliament. Notice to be given to the parties concerned. [⅔ *page.*]

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14. I. *Col. Adrian Scrope to the Protector. I beg you to consider the condition of the city, which I never saw in a worse posture. The mayor and sheriffs cannot be trusted, and were so insolent in the late election that it discouraged the godly party (which has always appeared with you in the work of the Lord). One of them, who had been in arms for the late King, declared that all such might vote, and thereby a man was chosen who subscribed the late King's treasonable engagement, and gave to the voluntary contributions sent him from this city.*

There was in this, as in many places, a clear distinction between the godly party and the enemies of God, who now exceedingly insult, and think to carry all before them, but the Lord will prevent them. The narration already lies before you.

God has given you an opportunity to know men's spirits, so that you may put a check on the enemies, and refresh the bowels of the saints, whose interests you have always accounted your own. The Lord has set you up for such a time as this, and will own you in His work, as He has hitherto done. Bristol, 6 *Aug.* 1654. [1 *page.*]

14. II. *Petition of divers free burgesses and inhabitants of Bristol to the Protector. We and other friends to Parliament came to the place, at the time appointed for choosing burgesses, according to the instrument of Government, supposing that the business would be so carried on as to secure the liberties which had cost seas of blood and unspeakable sufferings; but the sheriffs encouraged those who had favoured the late King to vote, promising to bear them out in so doing, and affronted and threatened us, refusing to allow some of us to vote, though duly qualified. They declared that what they did contrary to the instrument was the judgment of counsel, which we cannot believe, whereon the Cavalier party carried things as if there were no Commonwealth or Protector, but as if Charles Stuart were again enthroned in the sovereignty of this nation, so that we protested against the election, and left the hall.*

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We resort to you against these men who, in the time of the Parliament, durst not show their teeth, but now seem to prevail and triumph over us. We beg that the election may be annulled, and our nominees chosen, and such other provisions made as may testify the yearnings of your heart towards us. 95 *signatures.* [*Copy,* 1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

14. III. *Detailed account of the election, on* 12 *July* 1654, *when Rob. Adworth and Alderman Miles Jackson were chosen, the latter of whom took the King's protestation against Parliament, and joined in levying money to carry on his designs.*

The sheriffs, &c. abused the Parliament nominees, Col. John Haggott and Capt. Geo. Bishop, calling them horse-stealers, &c.

Particulars of the violent and illegal proceedings of the sheriffs, &c. [1 *sheet.*]

14. IV. *Petition of divers free burgesses, &c. of Bristol to Council. We laid our complaints of the undue election of burgesses* 12 *July last before the Protector, but understanding from him that these matters lie judicially before you, we tender you our petition and narrative, which we are ready to prove, and beg speedy proceedings suitable to justice, and tender regard to the cause of liberty.* [⅔ *page.*]

14. V. *Deposition taken at Bristol Castle before Col. Ad. Scrope, of Denis Hollister of Bristol. Being one of the Sequestration Committee of Bristol in* 1645, *and hearing that the mayor, aldermen, &c. had been active in levying money for the King and Prince Rupert on the inhabitants, much to the dislike of some of them, I had the book of records produced, and copied some items, and amongst others several relating to Miles Jackson, viz.:*

That on 28 *July* 1643, *he paid* 20*l.*, *when the city made a present to the King.*

That he signed the protestation given against bearing arms under the Earl of Essex, or corresponding with and contributing to any opponents of the King.

That on 6 *Oct.* 1643 *he contributed* 10*l. more.*

With other notices of city proceedings relative to the King, 16 *and* 31 *Oct., and* 28 *Dec.* 1643, *and* 11 *Jan., and* 3 *Feb.* 1643–4. 26 *Aug.* 1654. [5 *pages.*]

14. VI. *Certificate of Geo. Hellier, mayor, that Mat. Wolfe has deposed to taking the names of all those that voted at the late election, which are in the paper enclosed.* 26 *Aug.* 1654. *Signed and sealed.* [⅔ *page.*]

14. VII. *List of* 106 *electors of Bristol, some of whom voted for Mr. Haggott.* [3 *columns.*]

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14. VIII. *Certificate of Geo. Hellier, mayor, that Chas. Jones, Thos. Ricroft, Jas. North, and Rob. Massinger did not subscribe the petition against the election of burgesses, which was done without their knowledge.* 26 *Aug.* 1654. [¾ *page, city seal.*]

14. IX. *Certificate in behalf of* 9 *other persons to like effect.* 28 *Aug.* 1654. [2⅔ *pages. The names of all these persons except the mayor, Hellier, are annexed to the petition in copy, No.* 14, II.]

Aug. 24. Articles concluded between General Monk, commander-in-chief of the forces in Scotland, on behalf of the Protector, and James Earl of Tullibardine, plenipotentiary by warrant of 21 Aug. of John Earl of Athol.[1]

1. The Earl and his party to come in and deliver up their arms to Col. Wm. Daniel, governor of St. Johnston's.

2. The Earl and his officers to give security for their peaceable deportment, and the soldiers to take an engagement.

3. The officers to keep their horses and swords, giving the same security for their horses as others of the nation, the soldiers to sell them to Col. Daniel or others, and to pass to their homes or beyond seas.

4. The Earl and all his vassals to enjoy their real and personal estates, their conduct in the late war notwithstanding, they bearing their share of the burdens; but no estates disposed of by way of donative from the late Parliament, the Commissioners in Scotland, or his Highness, to be restored.

5. The Earl or any of his party to have power to levy 1,000 foot, and take them beyond seas to any prince or state in amity, and approved by the Protector.

6. Whilst the Earl lives in the island, he is to remain in a place approved by the Protector, on pain of losing his security of 5,000*l.*

7. The Earl is not to appoint meetings of his tenants or vassals, except with leave from the commander-in-chief, for holding courts baron, conformable to the Ordinance of 12 April last for holding courts baron in Scotland.

8. Those who refused to rise, or have assisted our party, are not to suffer therefor from him or any under him, under pain of the forfeiture of these articles.

9. The Laird of Edinample not to have the benefit of these articles till he has paid 200*l.* for cattle, &c. taken by him and his party out of the Lowlands.

10. There being ships of war on the coast to transport prisoners of war to the Barbadoes, notice is to be given to the governors of garrisons where prisoners are, to set at liberty those belonging to the Earl of Athol, if not already on shipboard, and all English who are prisoners with his party are to be released.

11. All officers and soldiers who conceal or embezzle their arms, and do not bring them in to Col. Daniel, are to lose the benefit of these articles.

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12. The articles to be ratified by the Protector or Parliament, and delivered to the Earl in 2 months. [*I.* 76, *pp.* 1–3.]

Aug. 24. **15.** Information of Thos. Burt and Hugh Covington, of Harrold, co. Bedford. Mr. Dell, minister of Yeilden, co. Bedford, overtook them as they were going to Bedford, the morning before the election of a knight of the shire, and asked for whom they intended to vote; they said Sir Wm. Butler. He spoke very reproachfully of him, and bade them take care what they did, for the Protector did not wish Butler to be chosen, and had sent down an order about it. Also that if they chose such men, their tithes, taxes, and other grievous burdens would be continued, but if they chose Col. Okey, Mr. Taylor, Cater, Barber, and Crooke, they were good men, and against the paying of tithes and taxes. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 24. Order by the Commissioners for appeals in Excise, that the Customs' and Excise Commissioners take special care that no merchant or importer of goods enter any goods in the custom house, unless they sign the entry in presence of the excise officers appointed to attend the custom house therefor, and take care that none enter goods in the names of any other than the real importer. [*Excise coll., p.* 147, *Vol.* 98, *June* 1655.]

Aug. 25. **16.** Petition of Anne, widow and executrix of Benj. Henshaw, to the Protector. I have 8 children to provide for out of debts due to my husband, the chief of which was owing by the late Earl of Carlisle, which I could not get assured, unless I procured 4,000*l.* more. This I did by my children's portions and the credit of friends, so that the whole debt is 12,000*l.* I then had 2,000*l.* a year assigned out of an annuity of 3,000*l.* granted to the Earl by the late King out of the old customs, from which I received 4,000*l.* But in 1641, the Commons took all the customs into their hands for the public use, though the old customs were legally vested in the Crown, and thus I have lost 20,000*l.* I am reduced with my children to poor condition, though we were never delinquents in the least degree. I beg the debt of 8,000*l.*, with interest since 1641, to be paid out of the said customs, or out of the first discoveries to be made.

With reference thereon to Council, 7 Aug. 1654. [⅔ *sheet.*]

Annexing,

17. I. *Opinion by Mat. Hale that the grant to the Earl of Carlisle, and the assignment of the* 2,000*l. therefrom to Mrs. Henshaw for* 6 *years, are both good in law.* [1 *page.*]

17. II. *Account by Barth Beale, auditor, of payments made thereon to Mrs. Henshaw from* 1638 *to* 1640–1. *Total,* 3,959*l.* 13*s.* 7 *Feb.* 1653–4. [1¼ *pages.*]

Aug. 25. Reference thereon by Council to Major-Gen. Lambert, Col. Jones, Sir A. A. Cooper. Col. Mackworth, and Mr. Strickland, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 533.]

[Aug. 25.] **18.** Petition of Lazarus Seaman, vice-chancellor of Cambridge, to the Protector. The University bought, on 9 May 1650, certain fee

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farm rents, reprizing in the purchase the amount of the pensions payable from the Exchequer to the University and Professors; but Wm. Moyle, collector of part of the said rents in South Wales, before he heard of this contract, paid in to Receiver-Gen. Falconbridge 49*l.* 10*s.*, which was due to the University. Begs an order for its repayment. With reference to Council to direct payment, 23 Aug. 1654. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

18. I. *Account by Thos. Tadder, deputy auditor, of the said rents in co. Glamorgan, due to Dr. Rich. Love, and the University, but paid into the public revenue.* [1¾ *pages.*]

Aug. 25. Order in Council, on this petition and a certificate of Thos. Tadder,—whereby it appears that a fee farm rent of 33*l.* a year from the rectories of Llanridian and Penrice, co. Glamorgan, was purchased of the trustees, May 9, 1650, by Dr. Rich. Love, for the University, and that he was to receive the ½ year rents due Sept. 29, 1650, and that notwithstanding, the first year and a half's rent, amounting to 49*l.* 10*s.*, was paid to Falconbridge—that the 49*l.* 10*s.* be repaid. [*I.* 75, *p.* 333.]

Aug. 25. Note of a petition referred to the Committee for Petitions, of John Glanvill, minister of St. James', Taunton,—for payment with arrears of 50*l.* a year, settled by the now dissolved Committee for regulating universities, and a further augmentation, 4 marks a year only being reserved to the minister. "Ordered by the Ordinance." [*I.* 92, *No.* 280.]

Aug. 25. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. An Ordinance to satisfy the arrears of the late Col. Roger Fenwick, by lands in Ireland to be set out to Thos. Baker and Elizabeth his wife, Fenwick's executors, read, and agreed to.

2. The Ordinance touching Mr. Tombes and Cresset to be considered next Tuesday.

4. The petition of James Tooke, one of 2 auditors of the Court of Wards by patent for life, referred to Lambert, Jones, Cooper, Mackworth, and Strickland, to report.

7. The Ordinance for Lindsay Level and the list of Commissioners read, amended, and agreed.

8, 9. Ordinance for abating the excise of alum and copperas, and for imposing excise on English tobacco, read, and agreed to.

11. Order on his Highness' pleasure signified to Council, that 38*l.* 15*s.* be paid to Ant. Webster and Wm. Edwards, from Council's contingencies, for 31 fine poleaxes for the gentleman porter and 30 warders of the Tower, at 25*s.* each,—and that a warrant therefor be issued to Mr. Frost. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 531–534.] *Annexing,*

19. I. *Bill for the said poleaxes, receipt of them by Col. John Barkstead, and order for the payment, signed Oliver P.,* 21 *Aug.* 1654. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 25. **20.** Orders in the Committee of Council for elections, summoning John Langham and Thos. Adams; also witnesses in the cases of

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Brecon, Rice Vaughan, the Isle of Ely, and Geo. Glapthorne; and postponing Mr. Warcup's business till Thursday. [⅔ *page.*]

Aug. 25. **21.** Accounts presented to the Mint Committe by Col. John Berkstead, on their order of 3 May, of the money lately coined in the Tower:—

	£	s.	d.
Silver received from the Samson, Salvador, George, Morning Star, and Angel of Flushing, from 17 June 1653 to 10 May 1654, when coined at 3*l.* the pound-weight - - - -	276,702	16	0
Expense of coinage, 9,223*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.*			
Paid on orders given to G. Frost, the Navy treasurer, deputy treasurer of the fleet, Col. Wm. Goffe and Lieut.-Col. White, and the Treasurers-at-war - -	239,560	0	0
Balance - -	£37,142	16	0
Received back in part of two of the above orders - - - - - -	9,260	0	0
Balance - -	£46,402	16	0
Account of the sheer money of the aforesaid silver, adding 594*l.* 6*s.* 4*d.* gold, taken from the silver ingots. Total - - -	1,573	12	5
Paid for Treasury contingencies, counting rooms, and service from other than the Mint officers - - - -	1,122	14	2
Total receipts - - - -	287,536	8	5
Total payments - - - -	240,682	14	2
Balance in hand -	£46,853	14	3

Also a parcel of gilt plate and of West India bezar.

List of the persons employed about the silver from the Samson, Salvador, and George, and other services connected with the aforesaid accounts. Account of receipts and payments from 10 May to 15 Aug., leaving the balance in hand 37,225*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.*, of which 3,400*l.* being already charged on the Treasury by an order of Council, the remainder is 3,225*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.* Noted as carefully examined by Wm. Jessop. [7 *sheets.*]

Aug. 25. The Andrew, Plymouth. **22.** Capt. Rich. Badiley to the Admiralty Committee. In our engagement with the Dutch while I was upon the Paragon in Aug. 1652, my lieutenant, master, master's mates, and some other officers were slain or made unserviceable by their wounds, leaving me much necessitated for officers, whereupon I moved the bearer, John Joakin, to leave the Constant Warwick, and come on board my ship, where he remained until the end of the voyage. I employed him in sundry concernments of trust, and always found him diligent.

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Capt. Potter commander of the Constant Warwick, has also given a good report of him as master under him, when Beech was surprised by the frigate, and I therefore recommend him for the command of the Prize that was Beech's man-of-war, or else let Capt. Potter be transferred to a better frigate, and he appointed to the Constant Warwick. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 26. The Primrose, Ayr.

23. Capt. Jno. Sherwin to the Admiralty Committee. I wish I had received earlier your letter left with General Monk and Capt. Cox, as I would rather have plied on that coast, having served 7 years' apprenticeship in these parts already; but I am to stay in this channel by order of Gen. Monk, and observe Col. Cooper's orders. As I have not above 3 weeks' provisions, I shall be forced into some victualling port. [⅔ *page.*]

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1. The information against James Foy, of the parish of Clement Danes, referred to the examination of the Lieutenant of the Tower and Thos. Fauconberg.

2. The petition of the trustees and contractors for sale of the late King, Queen, and Prince's goods, referred to the Committee for accompts.

7. An Ordinance to appoint Commissioners to take the accounts of the profits raised and received on the Act for the better propagation and preaching of the gospel in Wales read, and agreed to. Approved 30 Aug.

8. An Ordinance to admit John Grace, of Ireland, to a composition and exemption from transplantation, read, and agreed to. Approved 30 Aug.

9. His Highness to be advised to put in Lawrence Maidwell as one of the chief clerks in Chancery instead of Philip Smith, and to insert his name before the Ordinance is published. Approved and passed 28 and 29 Aug.

10. An Ordinance to continue the almshouses and almsmen in New Windsor read, and referred to Rous, Jones, Mackworth, and Major.

11. Approval by the Protector of 20 orders, 31 July–28 Aug. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 536–537.]

Aug. 28. Whitehall.

Pres. Lawrence to Lord Chief Justice St. John and Lords Commissioners Whitelock and Lisle. The near approach of Parliament, and the weightiness of matters to be considered of before it meets, requiring your advice, it is therefore desired that you repair hither forthwith, and be ready to attend the pleasure of his Highness and Council. [*I.* 75, *p.* 535.]

Aug. 28. Whitehall.

Council to John Ash, John Hippesley, John Carey, and John Buckland, and the other justices of peace for co. Somerset. Roger Lord Broghill's petition represented to his Highness that, being legally interested in a part of the late Forest of Frome Selwood, under letters patent from the late King, and a decree of the Excise, he quietly enjoyed it till the beginning of the late troubles; some persons then threw open the enclosures under pretence of common,

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though for their own interest. The tenants had formerly accepted satisfaction by $\frac{1}{3}$ of the said forest, and enjoyed the same for several years.

Some other owners of forests had, on the same disturbance, applied to Council, and received some course to quiet their possession, but Lord Broghill's public employment abroad prevented his being any sharer thereof. We therefore especially recommend it to you to maintain the peace of your county, and see that no harm is done to Lord Broghill's estate, and that his agents are not disturbed in repairing the enclosures that have been broken down.

You are empowered to call to your help the soldiers quartered in your county. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 537–538.]

Aug. 29. Ordinance of the Protector and Council, that from 29 Sept. 1654, the Excise Commissioners and officers receive 3*d.* for every cwt. of alum and copperas, to be made by the maker, the rate [of 6*d.*] in the Ordinance of 17 March 1654 notwithstanding. With order that it be printed and published. [*Excise Coll. p.* 148, *Vol.* 98, *June* 1655; *I.* 75, *p.* 541.]

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5. An Ordinance for satisfaction of arrears to Col. Venables read, and referred to Lambert, Lisle, Jones, Mackworth, Wolsley, and Cooper, to receive further propositions from Venables, and report.

6. An Ordinance for settling lands in Ireland on Rich. Uriel and Thos. Crosthwaite, for their faithfulness to Parliament, and losses at the siege of Cockermouth Castle, read, and referred to the Committee before named, to which Strickland is added.

7. An Ordinance to pay 1,136*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.* to Lionel Beecher of Barnstaple read, and by vote of Council 200*l.* for interest inserted, and thus agreed to. Approved 30 Aug.

10. Order that a report from the Committee on a paper mentioning several goods bought for his Highness' use, referred August 8, be agreed with, and warrants issued to Frost to pay the sums mentioned, except for 6 pieces of tapestry of the story of Hero and Leander, rated at 180*l.*, and one Turkey carpet particularly excepted in the report.

11. Order on report from the Committee on Allan Apsley's petition, that his articles made at the surrender of Barnstaple be confirmed, and as valid as those of Exeter, and that an Ordinance be brought in for that purpose.

12. An Ordinance to clear of incumbrances the manors of Halsall and Down, settled on Mary, relict of Gen. Deane, read, and agreed to.

13. Order on certificate from the Trustees at Drury House that 500*l.* is due to Col. Wm. Webb and John Cade, for stationery delivered there for the State's use, that the Treasurers for estates forfeited for treason satisfy them.

14. An Ordinance for bringing the arrears on wine licences, for satisfying a debt to Sam. Bland and others, read, and referred to Mackworth, Cooper, and Jones, to report.

15. On Mackworth's report from the Committee on Sir Ed. Seabright's petition, Council leaves the petitioner to apply to Parliament.

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16. An Ordinance to authorise the Treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall and Drury House to pay the war treasurers as formerly, referred to the Treasury Commissioners, to report, or propose another Ordinance.

18, 19. An establishment for the pay of the forces intended for special service, amounting to 6,514*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* a month, beside pay of Commander-in-chief, read, and approved, and to begin 4 Sept.

20, 21. 6*l.* a day to be allowed to Col. Venables, commander-in-chief of the said forces, and 2 months' pay to be advanced to him and them.

22. The Treasury Commissioners to consider on what treasury the said advance may be charged, to be paid with most speed.

23. **24.** The Marigold added to Col. Penn's squadron. The Admiralty Commissioners to see her equipped accordingly, with special accommodation for transport of horses and provisions.

24. **25.** The Admiralty Commissioners to cause three mortar pieces of the larger size, with shells, &c., also 6 great battering guns with carriages to be put on board Gen. Penn's squadron.

25. Approval by the Protector of 4 Ordinances named.

27. Instructions to Gen. Blake concerning the ship Princess read, and altered.

28. Mr. Secretary to learn from the merchants of the Turkey company the state of affairs between the Commonwealth and Tunis.

29. Council to meet to-morrow at 7 a.m. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 538–542.]

Aug. 29. Articles between General Monk and David Creighton, laird of Lugton, on behalf of the Earl of Glencairn, who signifies 26 Aug. his approval thereof, with a few qualifications made:—

1. The Earl and his party to repair to Dumbarton and surrender their arms to Lieut.-Col. Cotterell.

2, 6, 7, and 9, are similar to 2, 10, 11, and 12, in the articles granted to the Earl of Athol. [*See page* 333 *suprà.*]

4. The Earl, the Lairds of Lugton, Newark, Milton, Legland and Colgrame, Jas. Cuningham of Blaighose, Capt. Colquhoun, of Balewick, — Crawford of Caisburne, Capt. John Starke, and Capt. Wm. Steward of Reidby, to enjoy their estates provided they are not bestowed in donatives. Lord Forester to have the benefit of these articles, paying 1,500*l.* fine instead of 2,500*l.*, as ordered in the Act of grace.

4. Glencairn and Lugton each to be allowed to raise and transport a regiment of 1,000 foot in 6 months to any Prince or State in amity.

8. Lugton not to forfeit hereby any benefit of the Act of pardon. [*I.* 76, *pp.* 5–6.]

Aug. 29. Articles between Gen. Monk and Lieut.-Col. Geo. Heriott, on a power given him of 24 Aug., on behalf of Col. Geo. Maxwell.

1. Maxwell and Heriott to repair to Dumbarton, and give up their arms to Lieut.-Col. Cotterell.

2. They and their officers to give good security for their demeanour, and the soldiers to take an engagement.

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3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, are similar to 3, 4, 10, 11, and 12 in the articles to the Earl of Athol. [*See page* 333 *suprà*. *I.* 76*a*, *pp.* 10, 11.]

Aug. 29. Levant company to the Consul at Smyrna. Domoingo Vaes de Brito, a stranger, complains that you have seized 20 cloths laden here by him on the Samaritan for Moses Syon in ignorance of any prohibition, he having paid strangers' customs. We have answered that he shall have as much favour as any Englishman not free of the society.

We approve your diligence in preventing the trade of interlopers, but wish this case accommodated as fairly as may be without raising a precedent. [*Levant papers, vol.* 4, *p.* 225.]

Aug. 30. London. Levant company to Major Rich. Salway. The Protector having signified on 14 Aug. his consent for you to go Ambassador to Constantinople, we give you notice, and signify our own consent, and request you to repair to London as soon as you can, that this business so long in suspense may progress. We desire its hastening the sooner from the disadvantages of the present contest at Constantinople. [*Levant papers, vol.* 4, *p.* 226.]

Aug. 30. **26.** Deposition of Joshua Fugill. Has known Abraham Granger, *alias* Ralph Robinson, *alias* Watts, Gurdian, Bromsdon, &c., since Christmas last, when he came and propounded a way of getting money, and gave him a warrant, signed by the Navy Commissioners, for payment of 8*l.* or 10*l.* to Millicent Winchley, which was to be received at the Prize office; but before that, he said he must get it signed by the Admiralty Committee, because there was an obstruction then put upon the Treasury there.

Having this warrant so signed, Granger counterfeited 8 or 10 more, and put the signatures of the Navy and Admiralty Commissioners thereto, upon which deponent received, at several times, 300*l.*, and all the said money was divided between him and Granger, except 2*s.* in the pound paid to some one whose name Granger concealed, being a person concerned in transacting this business. Granger also said that the Treasury of the Prize office had been touched 230*l.* thick, at one time, upon a pretended warrant from the Commissioners in Little Britain, but no more could be had that way, as those Commissioners had written to the Prize office that none should receive any money upon their warrants but what was from time to time signified by their letter. Was with Granger last week at one Tompkins', the sign of the Spread Eagle, near Fleet Bridge. Granger lies at Mr. Gifford's House, near the Feathers' Tavern, Greenwich, by the name of Watts. Was never at the office in Little Britain, and does not know any of the clerks there or at the Navy Office, [1 *page.*]

Aug. 30. **27.** Notes of the further examination of Joshua Fugill. Lives at the Whitehorse, a victualling house in King Street. Has been in London 5 years, but has been to sea and to Holland, and 2 years since lived with Wildman, a tinman in Leadenhall Street; 2 years since was committed to the Gatehouse by the Council of State, on a charge of selling counterfeit debentures, but was discharged on bail

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upon his ingenuous confession, Mr. Blacklock, bookseller at Temple Bar, and Mr. Lloyd, another bookseller, being security for him.

Is a solicitor, but was apprenticed to Mr. Burton, a merchant in Hull. Never received money for tickets of soldiers; had several sums at the Prize office for other men, but some tickets given him by Ralph Robinson were lately stopped on suspicion. Saw Robinson a month since, and acquainting him with the stop, he bade him not trouble himself any further, as he would appear there himself; has seen him at Whitehall.

Since coming from Portsmouth, has lain at Col. Farringdon's in Bow Street, whose business he now follows. Has paid Robinson 300*l.* received at the Prize office, and had 25*l.* of him for transacting the business, and 10*s.* to buy a pair of gloves. Received the warrants produced of Ralph Robinson of Leeds. Has received 40*l.* at one time, 25*l.* at another, and several other sums, which he paid to Robinson, according to a power shown by Robinson, who gave deponent the warrants ready signed. One payment of 100*l.* was made at the Mitre in Bishopsgate Street, for the use of several persons unknown, but has receipts for all; another payment of 100*l.* was made at the Turk's Head in Moorfields, and another of 20*l.* at a scrivener's near the Exchange. Never knew Robinson's lodgings, but he always found deponent. The warrants were signed by the Navy and Admiralty Commissioners, and brought to deponent with the letters of attorney. Knew Hen. Bateson, a loose fellow, given to gaming, living in Horne Alley, Shoe Lane, but never had any dealings with him. Never raised any money from the Prize office without giving a receipt in his own hand. With notes of cross examination. [1½ *pages.*] *Annexing,*

27. I. *Receipt by Ralph Robinson, merchant, Leeds, from Joshua Fugill, of* 20*l. balance of* 348*l. allowed to poor widows of seamen slain in the engagements with the Dutch, he having had liberty to deduct* 10 *per cent. for his charges; and promise of indemnity to him from all further trouble therein.* 26 *July* 1654. [⅔ *sheet.*]

27. II. *Account by Joshua Fugill of moneys received by him on account of* 13 *widows named, May–July* 1654, *total* 385*l.*, *also* 230*l. received in part for Capt. Jos. Wyard.* [¾ *page.*]

Aug. 30. Ordinance for sale of 4 forests, viz., Needwood and Kingswood chases, and Ashdown and Sherwood forests, reserved for collateral security to the officers and soldiers whose arrears are unsatisfied, and who were in service 24 Dec. 1647, vesting them in the hands of Thos. Cook of Pedmarsh, Essex, and 9 others, for the same purposes as in the late Act for sale of the crown lands.

These trustees, with Sir Wm. Roberts, and the survivors of those named in the late Act, are to contract for sale of these forests, with the like commission and instructions as in the Ordinance for sale of the crown forests, having the lands first surveyed. One third of Enfield chase to be sold at once for ready money, not under 10 years' purchase. From the proceeds are to be paid the

arrears of Col. Edward Montagu, the late Col. John Pickering, Edw Dendy, Col. Rich. Fortescue, Maj. Ant. Markham, Thos. Smallwood, chaplain to Lord Fairfax, Majors Wm. Boteler and Fras. Bradbury, Lieut.-Col. Benj. Norton, and Capts. Wm. Harrison and Thos. Talbot. All contracts made on the late Act for sale of forest lands confirmed to the purchasers, but all purchases under the first Act, not cleared and allowed within 40 days after the survey is returned, or within 4 months from the passing of this Ordinance as to lands already surveyed, and 6 months as to those yet unsurveyed, shall be made void, and the contractors debarred from renewing their claims. [14 *pp. printed. Coll. of Acts, Vol.* 2, *No.* 92, *Rec. Office library,* 498 *F.*]

Aug. 30. Note of the passing of this Ordinance in Council, his Highness approving it, with addition of some persons for their arrears, and omission of a clause about Pengelley manor. [*I.* 75, *p.* 542.]

[Aug. 30.] **28.** Petition of the inhabitants of New Brentford, Middlesex, to the Protector and Council. On our petition to you, being at Syon House, you moved Parliament to continue the augmentation of 60*l.* a year granted by Parliament to our minister, Mr. Goddin, who has taken pains amongst us 2 years, but only received 30*l.* from the Trustees for ministers. His receipts from Hanwell are only 14*l.*, as they reserve 120*l.* to themselves, on pretence that theirs is the mother church, though they have only 20 families, and ours is "a market "town, and a place of very great concourse of people." We beg [an order for the augmentation with arrears, and for Hanwell to make a more proportionate allowance to our minister. 18 signatures. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 30. Order on report from the Committe of Council on this petition—that by an order of Parliament 60*l.* a year augmentation was allowed Rob. Goddin, minister there, from the remainder of rents on Ashwell rectory, co. Herts., which rent was payable in corn,—that instead of the corn there be paid him 60*l.* a year in money by the Trustees for Maintenance of Ministers. Approved 2 Sept. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 343, 565.]

Aug. 30. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Approval by the Protector and passing of 9 Ordinances.

10. Ordinances to confirm the articles of Barnstaple read, and agreed to. Approved 2 Sept.

11. Also an Ordinance for the better preaching of the Gospel at West Cowes, Isle of Wight. Approved 2 Sept.

12. Also an Ordinance for appointment of Commissioners for preservation of customs and excise for 6 months. Approved 2 Sept.

13. Wm. Thomas, keeper of the late standing wardrobe at Windsor, to deliver to Clement Kinnersley all hangings and other wardrobe stuff contained in his book of charge, and not yet delivered to the contractors for sale of the late King's goods, to furnish the Speaker's room adjoining the Parliament House.

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14. The goods contained in a note delivered by Kinnersley, needed to furnish the Parliament House and rooms adjoining, value 118*l.* 17*s.*, to be provided by him.

16. An Ordinance for enabling soldiers to use trades read, and committed to Lambert, Mackworth, Sydenham, Wolsley, and Cooper, to report. Approved 2 Sept.

17. Order on report from the Treasury Commissioners on the petition of John Wood, [*see* 1 *June* 1654] that Sir Hen. Vane, sen., account for the profits of the $\frac{1}{3}$ part of the subpœna office in Chancery, late belonging to Rich. Braham, delinquent, and pay in the moneys which appear to remain in his hands.

18. His Highness to be requested to allow the discoverer thereof a fit portion for his pains and charges.

19. The $\frac{1}{3}$ part of the subpœna office which is forfeited to be disposed to the best use of the State.

20. To allow Sir Wm. Roberts, John Stone, Gervais Bennet, Adam Baynes, and John Bocket a salary for their service as Commissioners for Appeals and regulating the Excise, at 300*l.* a year each, to begin from March 25, 1654. Also the same to the executors of Henry Elsing to the use of his children, to be paid by the Excise Commissioners.

21. To allow Col. Rous, Mr. Manby, Mr. Lucy, and Mr. Hildsley 300*l.* each for the year now past, as judges for probate of wills.

22, 23. The Treasury Commissioners to confer with the Admiralty Committee and Army Committee, about settling an establishment for the forces mentioned in the 27th article of the Government, according to the purport of this day's debate, and to bring in an Ordinance; and also about the next winter's guard. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 542–544.]

Aug. 31. **29.** Petition of Col. John Jones to the Protector and Council. By Ordinance of Parliament of 16 June 1648, the remainder of the 150,000*l.* charged 28 May 1647 on the Excise was to be paid by warrants of the Army Committee. On 20 June 1648 they ordered me 590*l.* with interest at 8 per cent., but my absence from England on the public service has prevented my demanding it. The present Commissioners of Excise, on my demand, say that by your order of 4 May last, they can issue no money on former Ordinances without your direction. Being reduced to straits, I beg an order for payment. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 31. Order for the payment of the 590*l.* forthwith from the Excise. Approved 2 Sept. [*I.* 95, *pp.* 545–559.]

Aug. 31. **30.** Petition of the merchants of the Intercourse to Council. Notwithstanding your order of 28 Feb. 1653–4, and the order of the assessment Committee of London grounded thereon, to forbear quartering of soldiers upon us for non-payment of monthly assessments, now in debate before you, Major Fras. Allen has quartered 26 soldiers of Col. Ingoldsby's regiment in our houses, and threatens to double them daily till we pay. As our burdens are grievous, we will produce

in writing reasons why we should not pay the assessments. We beg an order for the soldiers to be speedily taken off. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

30. I. *Order in the Committee for assessments, that no further assessments be collected on the merchants of the Intercourse, nor they molested, till the Committee of Council to whom the matter is referred report, and till further orders from Council.* 1 *March* 1653–4. [½ *page.*]

Aug. 31. Order thereon that Major-Gen. Lambert direct Major Allen to remove the soldiers, and not to quarter any more in respect of assessments, till further order, [*I.* 75, *p.* 546.]

Aug. 31. **31.** Petition of Ant. Nicoll to the Protector. I acknowledge God's goodness in disposing the government to you, whose great design is to carry on the interest of Jesus Christ, and to administer justice and mercy. I have had many losses in the cause. My father died in the service, at the siege of Plymouth, and the enemy took his estate, value 3,000*l.*; he had before suffered from the tyranny of the late King, in opposing loans, ship and knight money, and other illegal taxes, and left 7,000*l.* debt, and 12 children, all in my charge.

I had the honour to be employed by Parliament in many dangerous and expensive journeys, and received no satisfaction. I beg a certain sum, and will find out a way of payment that shall not prejudice you. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

31. I. 17 *Particulars of journeys and other services undertaken by petitioner for Parliament, for which he only received* 90*l.* [1 *page.*]

Aug. 31. Order thereon in Council that 200*l.* be allowed him, to be paid as proposed by him. Approved 2 Sept. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 547, 565.]

Aug. 31. **32.** Petition of the mayor, comburgesses and burgesses of Pontefract to the Protector. The corporation having suffered deeply cannot re-edify the town hall, as appears by their annexed petition to the justices of peace, who recommend their case; beg relief. With reference thereon to Major-Gen. Lambert, 28 June 1654. [¾ *page.*] *Annexing,*

32. I. *Petition of the same to the justices of peace for the West Riding of co. York. During the late war, the castle was ruined by several long sieges, and on* 27 *March* 1649. *Parliament ordered the Committee of the West Riding to have it demolished, and from the sale of materials, to pay* 1,000*l.* *to the borough, to repair a place of worship, and rebuild a minister's house. The late mayor and aldermen discharged their duty, and by their accounts it seems that* 120*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.* *is still due for lead and timber sold. This town being convenient, has been the place for holding the sessions for the riding, but the court house, being within shot of the castle is ruined.*

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Beg that this surplus sum may be granted for its restoration. With certificate of the justices recommending the grant, as the house is much wanted, and petitioners cannot provide it themselves. Signed by John Cowper, mayor, T. Fairfax, Dar. Wentworth, and 4 others. 8 April 1651. [1 *sheet.*]

32. II. *Report of Lambert in favour of the petition, and order thereon to Council to prepare an Ordinance accordingly,* 19 *July* 1654. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page, endorsed on the former petition.*]

Aug. 31. Order thereon in Council that Sir Edw. Rhodes, Sam. Childe, and others who owe the said 120*l.* 9*s.* pay it in to the corporation, to be employed in re-edifying the common hall. Approved 2 Sept. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 548, 565.]

[Aug. 31.] **33.** Petition of the Dean and Chapter of Christ church, Oxford, to the Protector. Their rectory of Great Torrington, co. Devon, was sequestered in 1646, for the delinquency of Rich. Smith, their tenant. During the sequestration 302*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.* rent was received by the County Committee, and paid to the Commissioners at Haberdashers' Hall, by loss whereof the College is much damnified. Beg an order for examination and payment. Signed by Dr. John Owen, dean, and 6 others. With order thereon that Council direct the Goldsmiths' Hall treasurers to repay the money. 10 Aug. 1654. [1 *sheet.*]

Aug. 31. Order thereon in Council that the Haberdashers' Hall Committee call the county Committee to account for the profits of the rectory received during sequestration. If they have been paid into the Exchequer, they are to be repaid, and if in the hands of the County Committee to be paid to the petitioners, who, in default, are left to their remedy at law. Approved 2 Sept. [*I.* 78, *pp.* 550, 565.]

[Aug. 31.] **34.** Petition of Sam. Avery, governor, and the Merchant adventurers to the Protector. We set forth on 20 April last how this nation first obtained the clothmaking trade, how long it flourished, and the times and causes of its decline, having been a fellowship from 1296, but declining since 1614 for want of countenance, and we begged to be considered in the treaty with the States general. Peace being now re-established, the magistrates of Rotterdam have invited the company back, provided it retains its fellowship.

We beg the establishment of our company, and the usual letters to the States general and provincial, granted on any settlement of residence in those parts, recommending our re-establishment in what town we choose. [1 *page.*]

[Aug. 31.] **35.** [Thos. Skynner to Secretary Thurloe ?] I find in our registers when the Merchant adventurers' company removed from Middleburg to Delft in 1620, and thence to Rotterdam in 1634, this letter, which was written in French to the States General and States Provincial. But now the company only want one to the States General

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and one to the States of Holland, where they mean to settle. I have made a few needful changes, as now we return to a residence, whereas before we only removed. Please to prepare us two letters accordingly, and let the company have the conveyance of them, and let them not be sent till their commissioners are ready, which will be as soon as they know his Highness' pleasure. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

35. I. *Form of the letters sent by former kings to the States General and Provincial of Holland, requesting favour to the merchant adventurers, according to the placard of commerce of* 1599. [1 *page.*]

Aug. 31. **36.** Thos. Skynner to [Sec. Thurloe]. I enclose a translation of a letter of which we want 2 copies, one for Rotterdam and one for Dort, with this alteration, that Rotterdam invites to a return of residence, Dort to a fresh residence there. Also let not these letters be dispatched till our commissioners are ready, and then be put into their hands. [⅔ *page.*] *Annexing,*

36. I. *Form of the letter from the late kings to the towns of Holland, in behalf of the merchant adventurers.* [⅔ *page.*]

Aug. 31. **37.** Exceptions laid before the Protector against Sir John Price elected member for co. Montgomery :—

1. He was an M.P. in 1642, but deserted, and sat in the junto at Oxford.
2. He came not in till after the memorable battle at York, and when Montgomery Castle was taken, and he would have else been sequestered, as his whole estate lay there.
3. By his plausible pretences, Sir Thos. Middleton, then Major-General of North Wales, made him governor of the castle, which he endeavoured to betray to the enemy. Being excluded Parliament, and his estate ordered to be sold, he then betook himself to the army. Query, whether he should be considered a man of integrity, and fit to be an M.P. [1 *page.*]

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4. The Ordinance to authorise soldiers to set up trades read, amended, and agreed to.

5, 6. An Ordinance for regulating the Universities not to be committed, and Fiennes, Wolsley, Lambert, and Rous to attend his Highness with the reasons why Council did not proceed in it.

7. An Ordinance to manage augmentations read, but not committed.

10. An Ordinance concerning ministers ejected for delinquency read, and agreed to.

11, 12. Jones reports from the Mint Committee the account of Col. John Barkstead, Lieutenant of the Tower, for moneys brought into the Mint out of the Samson, Salvador, George, Morning Star,

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and Angel Michael, and coined in the Tower from 17 June 1653 to 10 May 1654.

	£	s.	d.
His receipts, with 9,860*l.* from the Prize Office, and moneys repaid, have been -	288,136	8	5
His disbursements amount to - -	250,910	18	0
Balance -	37,225	10	5
Of this he has to pay to the Admiralty Commissioners - - - -	34,000	0	0
Balance still in hand -	3,225	10	5

Of this 300*l.* is allowed to himself and 540*l.* to others concerned about the money, as a reward for service, and he is to pay G. Frost for the Council's contingencies the balance, viz., 2,385*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.*

13, 27. An order for his discharge of the said money approved, stating the silver received from the ships at 92,234lbs. 3ozs. 4dwts. 1gr. valued at 3*l.* per lb., and the gold at 14lbs. 9oz. 3dwts. 18grs., at at 40*l.* 5*s.* the lb. Approved 2 Sept.

18. Mr. Embree to take special care that the Mews be cleared for his Highness' family.

20. Order on report from Nath. Waterhouse, his Highness' steward, and Mr. Embree, according to Council's order of 8 June 1654, concerning persons claiming privileges at Hampton Court under letters patent:—

I. That Wm. Smithsby, who claims the keeping of the privy lodgings and standing wardrobe by patent of 4 Car., which was disallowed by the Committee for removing Obstructions, remove himself, family, and goods from Hampton Court within a month.

II. Like order for Thos. Smithsby, who claims to be under-keeper of the house and gardens, by a grant from the Marquis of Hamilton of 16 Car.; also by patent of April 21, 17 Car., after the King's leaving Parliament, disallowed as above.

III. That Jones, Strickland, Pickering, and Cooper consider the 2 last clauses of Mr. Waterhouse and Mr. Embree's report on Chas. Hoggan and John Webb's claims, and report.

21. Order on petition of Wm. Clerk and John Godolphin, Doctors of Law and Admiralty Judges, that the Customs' Commissioners satisfy them and Chas. Geo. Cock the moneys due to them according to the Council's warrant of 10 May 1654 to the said Commissioners, for their salary of 50*l.* a year each, and continue to pay it as it falls due. Approved 2 Sept.

23. An Ordinance to pay Col. Sexby 1,000*l.* from the Excise read and agreed to. Approved 2 Sept.

24. Also an Ordinance for 1,000*l.* to M. Augier and Mr. Turgis from the Prize Office. Approved 2 Sept.

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25. Order on certificate from Matth. Alured of 1 Aug. 1654,—that Maj.-Gen. Deane promised the borough of Ayr in Scotland 1,000 marks stirling towards building a church, as their former one was used for the public, and ordered him to pay 200*l.* when the foundation was laid 1 foot above ground, 200*l.* more when it was half built, and the rest when finished,—that the Leith Commissioners pay the balance of the 1,000 marks. Approved 2 Sept.

29. Col. Jones reports his Highness' pleasure that the following names be inserted in the bill passed yesterday for taking account of the moneys received on the Act for better propagation of the Gospel in Wales; viz.: John Corbett, chief justice of cos. Glamorgan, Brecknock, and Radnor, John Haggett, and Bennet Hoskins, chief justices of cos. Carmarthen, Pembroke, and Cardigan, and that Evan Lewis' name be omitted. The Ordinance amended accordingly.

30. James Forbes to be settled one of the lecturers in Gloucester, with the augmentation of 80*l.* appointed to Mr. Kenrick, preacher at St. Mary Crisp, lately disabled by the Commissioners for public preachers, to begin from 25 June last or from the time of Kenrick's disallowance. The Trustees for maintenance of ministers to see to it. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 544–550.]

Aug. 31. **38.** Petition of Rob. Swanley, late commander of the Henry Bonadventure, to the Admiralty Committee. Being at Naples, laden with merchants' goods, Capt. Cox arrived with the Phœnix, having many prisoners, and being fearful lest they might rise, I took 54 and victualled them 11 days. I also spared him 357 lbs. of powder, and took in 2 of his maimed men, who were cured in my ship, at a total cost of 41*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.* I beg payment. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

38. I. *Certificate of the above by Capt. Owen Cox,* 20 *July, and note from the Navy Commissioners,* 26 *July* 1654. [1 *page.*]

38. II. *Recommendation of Swanley by the Commissioners for sick and wounded,* 31 *Aug.* 1654. [1 *page, damaged.*]

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Levant Company to the consul at Smyrna. We have deeply resented your long want of a minister, but have been prevented supplying it. We have at last elected Rob. Winchester, and doubt not but you and the factory will find much content in his ministry. [*Levant Papers, Vol.* 4, *p.* 228.]

Aug. ? **39.** Petition of Anne, widow of Rowland Fawkard, to the Protector, for relief for herself and 3 children, her husband having lost his life in the service, as truly as those who actually died upon it. He was made messenger at the first sitting of the Derby House Committee, and so continued till his death last March; he undertook hazardous journeys in both the civil wars, in the war with Scotland, and with the Dutch, and often went beyond his strength. Having broken a vein whilst on a journey to Scotland, he lost much blood for 6 weeks, and could never be cured; he grew worse last

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winter, from being sent to the fleet, then near the coast of Holland, with a dispatch, and was there in a great storm in which his fellow, Mr. Potter, was drowned; he died after a most tedious sickness, which took the little he had, and she was left in much debt. He petitioned the late Council of State, but Parliament was dissolved before anything was done. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

39. I *Petition of Rowland Fawkard, messenger to the Council of State, to the Council of State. I was sent after the train of artillery to Worcester, and ordered to press horses, carts, &c. for its speedy drawing, for faithful performance, whereof I had to ride up and down night and day; I attended after the train joined Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood at Upton, and took the whole care of providing horses, until it was lodged in Windsor Castle, expending more than the riding rate allowed.*

I have often exposed my life by riding through the enemy's quarters, on orders from the Derby House Committee and this Council. In the first war, whilst riding northward, I was so closely pursued by a party of the Newark horse that I had to throw myself into the Humber, and got into a fisher boat, to save public letters of great consequence, and my own life. When riding post to Scotland, my horse fell on a dark night, and I broke a vein, and have spit blood ever since, so that my strength is wasted, and the small fruit of my labours expended. With reference thereon to Thurloe and Frost, to certify what should be done. [1 *sheet.*]

39. II. *Certificate by Dr. John Castle to the truth of Mrs. Fawkard's statement that Fawkard's death was caused by his two journeys to Scotland and the fleet.* 6 *July* 1654. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

Aug. ? **40.** Report thereon by the Earl of Mulgrave, and Water Strickland, that as she has only 16*l.* a year, and 100*l.* in money, she should have a grant of 150*l.*, Mr. Potter having had 250*l.* [1 *page, draft.*]

Aug. ? **41.** Request that as his Highness has passed a lease to Charles and Geo. Hewett of the bishopric of Old Laughlin, he would give an order to the Commissioners for letting the tithes that they may have the refusal of them, at the appointed rates. [$\frac{1}{3}$ *page.*]

Aug. ? **42.** Report in detail by the Ordnance officers, on an order of 28 July last, of all the arms received by Roger Carlisle, Wm. Gardner, Oliver Williams, and Alric Shambrooke from garrisons specified, bringing them all in debtors to his Highness for weapons still in hand, viz., Carlisle in 61*l.* 9*s.*, Gardner 65*l.*, to be defalcated from their debentures. The other 2 to make good the arms withheld. [1 *sheet, damaged.*]

Aug. ? **43.** Prize goods' officers, Hum. Blake, Rich. Blackwall, John Sparrow, Rich. Hill, commissioners, and Clement Oxenbridge, comptroller, to the Admiralty Committee.

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1. The Sampson, Salvador, and George, which had the great quantity of silver on board, are riding in the Thames, much decayed by lying 2 years, and at great charge, if not disposed of.

2. The late Council of State having forbidden the sale of guns with the ships, there are several in the outports undisposed of; beg directions.

3. Want an order, for more speedy raising money, for buyers to fetch and pay for their goods in 10 or 15 days, or else that they may be sold again, and the buyer be charged with any loss. [1 *page.*]

Aug. **44.** Journal of the Marigold in her voyage from Deptford, whence she went, 18 Feb. 1653–4, as convoy to the Iceland fishery, to 19 Aug. 1654: *e.g.* June 8, went into Derifar Harbour for water. The country people were afraid of us at first and durst not come on board, being warned by their justices. They much enquired whether the Protector or Lord Fairfax is in greater authority, and particularly whether Charles Stuart is in Denmark. They said there were 2 Holland ships about the land that had been dealing with the country people before the arrival of the ship that usually comes every year to receive custom for the King of Denmark, but no such ship had yet come, as it was foul weather, and all the land covered with snow, so that those of our men who had been there 20 times before had never seen the like at that time of the year. They fear war between Denmark and England, esteem our nation, and mightily rejoiced when told of the peace between England the Dutch, and Denmark.

While in Lowsie Bay on 11 July, Paul Johnson, justice of the peace of the country, and a great traveller in Denmark and Holland, came on board, and said if the wars had continued, they would have desired to be protected by the English rather than the Danes, as they found more friendship from the former, and that the English nation was the gloriousest in the world, as they had conquered the Dutch, who thought themselves to be the conquerors of all the world, and that those in Iceland were fearful that a power would have been sent from England to plunder the country, but he thanked God for a peace. [*Book of* 18 *written and* 10 *blank pages.*]

[Aug.] **45.** Order in the Admiralty Court, made on the petition of Mr. Chaworth and other merchants of London, who claim certain wools taken in the Augustine prize, that the Commissioners for Prize Goods are to defer putting in suit the bonds in which, on 18 Feb. 1653–4, they became bound to prove their cause within 6 months, now expired, they having put in their claim, and had Commissioners appointed for the examination of witnesses. [2 *pages.*]

[Aug.] **46–63.** Weekly accounts by the Ordnance officers of the gunpowder and shot remaining in the stores, with accounts of receipts and issues. [18 *papers.*]

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Sept. 1. **1.** Petition of Thomasine, widow and administratrix of Capt. Wm. Bennett, to the Protector, for increase, or at least continuance of the 22*s.* a week granted her by Parliament on Goldsmiths' Hall. Her husband was the chief instrument in checking the King's army at Brentford fight, and lost his life at the end of it, leaving her with 8 children. On the late change of Treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall, payment was refused without order from the Council of State, who granted it for 3 months, now expired. Begs arrears since her last payment, 12 Nov. last. With reference thereon to Council, to continue the former pension with arrears, 10 Aug. 1654. [1 *sheet.*]

Sept. 1. Order in Council thereon for continuance of payment with arrears by the Goldsmiths' Hall treasurers, the late Ordinance for bringing the revenues of this commonwealth into one treasury notwithstanding. [*I.* 75, *p.* 551.]

Sept. 1. **2.** Petition of Maurice and Rob. Thompson and Wm. Pennoyer to the Protector, for lands in cos. Caterlough and Kildare in Ireland, at the same rates as granted to the adventurers and soldiers, for payment of 4,555*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* furnished in money and goods for relief of the distressed protestants in Ireland. With reference thereon to Council. [⅓ *page.*]

Sept. 1. **3.** Petition of Wm. Penn, General at sea, to the Protector and Council. Having married Margaret, relict of Nicatius Vanderschurin of co. Clare, Ireland, I have sustained great loss by the late horrid rebellion. She had to fly, making over most of her estate in trust to Thurlough Oge Mac Mahon of Clenaught, co. Clare, who got thereby a large estate to himself, paying her nothing, but becoming a rebel and flying into Spain, his estate is confiscated. Her other estate she left a prey to the rebels, and her debts in Limerick are not recoverable, the debtors having forfeited all for rebellion. I sent an agent over to recover these losses, in all 8,636*l.* 19*s.* 6*d.*, but he did not get in enough to defray his expenses, so I can have no relief but by your favour. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

3. I. *Particulars of the said estate, and the losses therefrom,* 7,436*l.* 19*s.* 6*d.*, *beside* 1,200*l.* *for things not thought of.* [1 *page.*]

Sept. 1. Order thereon granting him lands in Ireland value 300*l.* out of those still undisposed of, the Lord Deputy and Council to set them forth. Passed and approved 2 Sept. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 551, 563 (2).]

Sept. 1. **4.** Petition of Edward Earl of Worcester to Council, that his allowance of 3*l.* a week may be charged on some place or person of certainty. It was charged on Goldsmiths' Hall, but he has received nothing since the week before Midsummer. [⅔ *page.*]

Sept. 1. Order thereon for its payment by the Goldsmiths' Hall treasurers, with arrears. [*I.* 75, *p.* 551.]

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Sept. 1. Note of a petition, referred 17 May 1654 to the Committee for Petitions, of Capt. Wm. White, of Great Torrington, co. Devon, for payment of 2,412*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* arrears and disbursements in the service. Order in Council that the Goldsmiths' Hall treasurers pay him 50*l.* in part of arrears, the Ordinance for bringing the revenues into one treasury notwithstanding. Approved 2 Sept. [*I.* 92, *No.* 72; *I.* 75, *pp.* 552, 565.]

Sept. 1. **5.** Petition of Major Edm. Rolfe to the Protector. The Army Committee on stating my account make me a debtor of 817*l.* 11*s.* 1½d. I have 393*l.* 3*s.* 3*d.* due to me for service, and I crave 54*l.* 10*s.* allowance as Commissioner [at Carisbrook Castle], at 5*s.* a day for 218 days, in the interval between Cols. Hammond and Sydenham. Also 700*l.* is due to me on public faith. I am so reduced for my affection to the public, in relation to the late King, by my dismissal from employment, and by sickness from wounds, that it would ruin me and my relations to pay the money. I beg you to defalk ½ of it from the sums due to me, and to respite payment of the remainder till I am paid. [1 *page.*] *Annexing.*

5. I. *Statement by the Army Committee of his account, and warrant to pay him the* 817*l.* 11*s.* 1½*d.* 16 *Aug.* 1654. [1 *page.*]

Sept 1. Reference thereon in Council to the Army Committee, to see whether a greater sum is due to him, and if so, to respite the debt, or a proportion thereof. Approved 2 Sept. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 553, 565.]

Sept. 1. **6.** Petition of Richard Uriel, and Thos. Crosthwaite, late merchants of Cockermouth, Cumberland, to the Protector. In 1648, by order of Major-Gen. Lambert, we assisted the late Major Wm. Bird to defend Cockermouth Castle, on a 3 months' siege by Sir Wm. Huddleston, who totally plundered our estates, value 1,965*l.*, by which we have been disabled to maintain ourselves. When the castle was relieved by you, on your march from Scotland to Carlisle, we told you our losses, and you acknowledged our fidelity, and ordered us to appeal to you in London, when something should be done for our relief. This we did, but after our long journey, we found you gone to Ireland. We have since been often solicited by persons of quality, and in June 1652, were promised speedy relief, but have obtained none, to the total ruin of our families, and our creditors daily threaten to imprison us. We beg speedy relief, according to your former gracious promises. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

6. I. *Certificate by John Lamplough and* 11 *other inhabitants of Cockermouth, that Wm. Uriel, and Capt. Richard Uriel, his son, lost, in houses pulled down, corn and cattle, shop goods, and money,* 1000*l.* *by Huddleston's forces, and that the captain was active in the service.* 12 *signatures.* 23 *Nov.* 1648. [¾ *page.*]

6. II. *Like certificate, that Thos. Crosthwaite, mercer, lost* 965*l.* 23 *Nov.* 1648. [¾ *page.*]

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6. III., IV. *Like certificates by Sir Wilfrid Lawson and 4 others of the standing committee of the county for both cases, addressed to the 2 Houses of Parliament.* 1 *Dec.* 1648. [2 *copies,* $\frac{3}{4}$ *page each.*]

Sept. 1. Order on Mr. Strickland's report of the Ordinance for Uriell and Crosthwaite, that it be agreed to, and recommended to his Highness as Council's advice. Approved 2 Sept. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 553, 559.]

Sept. 1. **7.** Request for some augmentation or relief for Chris. Burrell, of Wratting, Suffolk, "a most precious, ancient servant of God," the first person in Suffolk who appeared against Bishop Wren and Dr. Cosins, protesting against their superstitious innovations, for which he was deprived and kept out of his benefice for many years, and having a wife and 10 children, got into debt. Parliament noticing him ordered Bishop Wren to pay him 320*l.* and restore him to his benefice, but he received nothing, and had to spend 100*l.* in ousting his successor; 4 years ago all his remaining household goods, books, &c., were burnt. He has since, by the help of godly friends, built up the parsonage, but is 400*l.* in debt. With order, 29 July 1654, to Council, signed, to make some speedy provision for his relief. Noted as recommended by Mr. Fairclough. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 1. Order in Council that the Trustees for Maintenance of Ministers grant him 50*l.* Approved 2 Sept. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 564, 565.]

[Sept. 1.] **8.** Report on the condition of the prisoners at the Tower and St. James's, ordered by his Highness:—

Scotch Nobility taken at Worcester and in Scotland.

Earl of Crawford, Earl of Lauderdale, Earl of Kelly, Earl Marshal, Lord Sinclair, Lord Spynie, Lord Ogilvy.—To be banished, on good security not to act against the commonwealth, at least such of them as are esteemed least considerable.

For proclaiming Charles Stuart.

Ant. Jackson.—To be banished, on security not to return without leave.

On suspicion of Treason.

John Archer, Thos. Ross, Jos. Sawyer, Thos. Bunce, Jos. Barker, Chris. Watkins.—To be set at liberty, on sufficient bail to the Lieutenant of the Tower to do nothing to the prejudice of the State. Also Rich. Dutton, Roger Lea, Wm. Jenkins.—To be banished on security not to return without leave. Also Capt. Thos. Smith.—His estate to be sequestrated.

For High Treason.

Hum. Bagaley, Gilb. Gerard, Sidney Fotherby, Thos. Saunders, Fras. Foxe.—To be banished, on security not to act to the State's prejudice, nor return without leave.

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For suspicion of great crimes.

Sir Rich. Willis.—To be banished, on security not to act to the State's prejudice, nor return without leave.

For high treason.

John Wiseman, Chas. Gerard, John Finch.—To be set at liberty on security as above.

Prisoners at St. James'.

Col. Edw. Aldrich, Capt. Hen. Harlow, Capt. John Wharton, Thos. Barnes, Wm. Dodd, John Hippon.—To be set at liberty on like security. [1¼ *pp.*]

[Sept. 1.] **9.** Short-hand notes of part of the above. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 1. 3. Orders in Council for the liberation of all the above prisoners recommended to be set at liberty, those in the Tower to give bonds to the Lieutenant of the Tower, and those in St. James's to Col. Goffe and Lieut.-Col. Worsley, who are to discharge them. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 553, 554.]

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6. In an order of June 23, 1654, to grant Vincent Gookin certain lands, the words "his heirs" to be added after his name. Approved 2 Sept.

7. The petition of Thos. Good, Professor of Civil Law at Cambridge, referred to Lambert, Jones, Mackworth, Rous, and Major, to report.

8. Order on report from the Committee on the petition of Thomas Lord Fairfax, son of Ferdinando Lord Fairfax, and his executors, for the benefit of his grandchildren and others named in his will; and on a report from Barons Thorpe and Nicholls,—in the case of a reference concerning bonds entered into in the late Court of Wards by Ferdinando Lord Fairfax, Sir Henry Bellasis, Sir Matth. Boynton, and Sir Philip Stapleton, as a fine for the custody, wardship, and marriage of the late William Viscount Fairfax, deceased, granted to them, of which 333*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* only being paid, the bonds are returned into the Exchequer, and by a process there issued, the manor of Denton, part of the estate of the late Lord Ferdinando remained seized in his Highness' hands at 100*l.* a year,—that all process on the bonds in question be stayed by the excise officers, and the petitioners appeal to Parliament. Approved 2 Sept.

9. Council thinks fit to do nothing on the papers delivered by the Dutch Ambassadors concerning the Queen of Bohemia, the liberty of Dutch artisans to use trades, and the petition of Elizabeth, wife of Gervais Hollis; but leave the parties to apply to Parliament.

10. An Ordinance to pay 500*l.* to Col. Webb and Mr. Cade read and agreed to. Approved 2 Sept.

12. Also an Ordinance to increase the number of hackney coaches to 250. Approved 2 Sept.

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16. An Ordinance for Wm. Blaxton, as amended by the Committee, agreed to. Approved 2 Sept.

20. Order that the certificate of Thos. Fauconberg, on the petition of Ant. Mildmay [*see* 3 *Aug. suprà*] for arrears for the late King's children, be laid aside, Council not thinking fit to make any order therein. *Annexing,*

10. I. *Certificate alluded to, that on the Parliament allowance of* 1,500*l.* *a year for Henry Stuart, there was due for* 2 *years and* 6 *months, ending* 11 *Feb.* 1652–3, *when he was embarked at Cowes for Flanders,* 3,274*l.* 13*s.* 1½*d.*, *of which Mildmay received* 3,021*l.* 6*s.* 1½*d.*, *leaving arrears of* 253*l.* 7*s.* 30 *Aug.* 1654. [1 *page.*]

21. The petition of Francis Smith referred to the Customs' and Excise Commissioners, to examine if 127*l.* 8*s.*, part of a greater sum for oats delivered for the army, be due still.

22. The Ordinance for settling augmentations to be read to-morrow.

23. An Ordinance to be brought in to-morrow to settle on the Committee for claims in Ireland and their heirs a proportion of land in Ireland to satisfy 2,621*l.*, remainder of 4,000*l.*, according to the rate thereof in 1640, where the Lord Deputy and Council think fit.

24. To write to the judges at Salter's Hall, and refer to them the business of the old farmers of customs.

25. The Ordinance concerning the arrears on wine licenses to be considered to-morrow.

26. Cooper, Fiennes, Jones, Lambert, Sydenham, Montague, and Mackworth to prepare an Ordinance to settle the Admiralty Commissioners, and to bring it in to-morrow.

29–37. To grant the following yearly augmentations. The Trustees for Maintenance of Ministers to see them settled, and take orders to pay them out of the revenues vested in themselves :—

50*l.* to Chris. Burrell, minister of Wratting, co. Suffolk.
50*l.* to the minister of St. Margaret's, Hertford.
50*l.* to Hugh Bethel, minister of Holt, co. Denbigh.
50*l.* to — Austy, minister of Cranborne.
30*l.* to — Miller, minister of St. Andrews, co. Glamorgan.
30*l.* to Sam. Wells, minister of Banbury, co. Oxford.
60*l.* to the minister of Wimbledon, co. Surrey.
50*l.* to Dr. Sam. Bolton, master of Christ's College, Cambridge.
50*l.* to such minister of St. Neots, co. Hunts, as shall be appointed. All approved 2 Sept.

Sept. 1. 38. **10a.** Order on report of the petition of Col. Rugeley [*see* 13 *Feb. and* 8 *and* 16 *May suprà*], that a patent be granted him of marsh grounds, decreed by a Commission of Sewers to the late King, in parishes Walton, Wisbeach, &c., cos. Norfolk and Cambridge, discovered by him, and that from the clearing the title and obtaining possession, he have a lease for 99 years, or until satisfied the moneys ordered to him 13 Feb. last.

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39. An Ordinance to continue an Act of Parliament for recovery and preservation of many thousand acres of land in Norfolk and Suffolk, surrounded by the sea, read, and agreed to. Approved 2 Sept.

41. Also an Ordinance to charge 1,490*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* on the Excise in course unto Mr. Inglish and Mr. Finlaw. Approved 2 Sept.

42. Also an Ordinance concerning the incorporation of St. Katherine's Hospital, Ledbury-under-Malvern, co. Hereford. Approved 2 Sept.

43. Also an Ordinance concerning fines, reported by Sydenham. Approved 2 Sept. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 553–557.]

Sept. 1.
Navy Office.

11. Navy Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. On the claim of the owners of the Sampson for 5,626*l.* 5*s.* 6*d.* for her loss in Leghorn Road on 4 March 1652–3, considering what is inserted in their inventory for victuals and dollars and what freight is already allowed, we think 3,200*l.* sufficient. [¾ *page.*]

Sept. 2.

Ordinance by the Protector and Council for bringing several branches of the revenue under management of the Treasury Commissioners and Court of Exchequer, including excise, prize money, the profits of sequestered estates, of ⅔ of recusants' estates, the monthly assessments, &c., all which are now to be paid into the Exchequer, and to be managed by the Treasury Commissioners, who have power to lease lands, on fines not exceeding 2 years' value, for 3 lives, or 21 years, and to levy rents, &c., in case of non-payment; to pay salaries to the officers formerly employed, require all to execute their powers, dismiss those not needful, and settle the salaries of the rest, unless settled by the Parliament or his Highness and Council. All present officers to continue in office till the said Commissioners order to the contrary, observing their orders. Provided this do not interfere with the Ordinance of 24 June last, for bringing the revenues into one treasury. [*Excise Coll. pp.* 149–154, *Vol.* 98, *June* 1655.]

[Sept. 2.]

12. Dr. Walter Walker to Sec. Thurloe. It appears by yours that the Hamburg agent urges a judgment on the Samson, Salvador, and George. I waited on you yesterday at Whitehall about it, but could not see you.

The matter of the silver is much stronger than that of the ships. I attended a Committee of Council upon it, on a reference from his Highness on Mr. Violet's petition, and sent a report, which remains with Council, about the silver, the ships, and the tobacco, and other goods.

The ships have lain so long in the river that they are much injured, and grow worse daily, and ought to come to judgment; and the owners are clamorous for a hearing before they perish. The reason of the first opposal was to prevent the enforcement of the argument upon the silver, that it should not be pressed upon us

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that it came in free ships, but cautions may be taken that this should not be urged as a consequence.

The judges have been threatened in court for not assigning a hearing, which, by the rules of justice, cannot be denied, but I leave it to your wisdom and reason of State. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 2. Order in Council that the Admiralty judges determine the case of the said ships according to law and justice. Approved 2 Sept. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 558, 565.]

Sept. 2. **13.** Requests by Col. Rob. Venables :—

1. That my arrears be settled, and the just rent remitted till the land be planted.
2. For an advance to buy necessaries, my goods, apparel, horse, arms, &c., being in Ireland.
3. Confirmation of my *custodium*, and if any part be taken off as not forfeited, abatement to be made in the rent.
4. As my employment will prevent my planting land to raise portions for my daughters, a good sum should be deposited with friends for their portions in case I die, to be restored if I return and find my estate undestroyed.
5. Payment to me by the State of debts owing to me by able persons in Ireland, I giving up the security, and running the loss if any of them be insolvent. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 2. Order that as Col. Rob. Venables is designed to a special service in a present expedition, 3,076*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.*, due to him for arrears, be forthwith paid. Approved 11 Sept. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 561, 567.]

[Sept. 2.] **14.** Petition of John Martin and Thos. Bennett, churchwardens, and 20 inhabitants of Eastham, co. Chester, to the Protector. Our parish is large, and the great tithes impropriate; 160*l.* fee-farm rent was reserved on them, and most of the lands in the parish, to the Dean and Chapter of Chester, which now devolves on the State. The minister's maintenance being but 20*l.* a year, 50*l.* augmentation was granted by authority of Parliament, but though John Watson, our minister, has the allowance of the Commissioners for public preachers, he cannot receive the augmentation with arrears, because his former orders were not reviewed by the Universities' Committee, and we did not know this was requisite till after the dissolution of that Committee. As he has 7 small children, he is reduced to great straits, and must leave the ministry which he has held 5 years, unless you grant a special order for his augmentation. 22 signatures. [1 *page.*]

Annexing,

14. I. *Order in the Committee for plundered ministers for an increase of the augmentation to the Eastham minister from* 38*l.* *to* 50*l.* *a year.* 25 *Dec.* 1647. [½ *page.*]

14. II. *Like order for preservation of that augmentation, the profits of the church being very great, notwithstanding a reference to the County Committee of Chester, to consider how the allowance to the ministers and schoolmaster of Chester may be paid.* 14 *April* 1648. [⅔ *page.*]

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14. III. *Order of the County Committee of Chester, reserving the 50l. for Eastham, there being a surplus beside what is granted by Parliament to the ministers, schoolmasters, and scholars in Chester, with the King's yearly rent, and an annual old charge to certain churches, and for certain usual repairs of the great church in Chester; the said 50l. to be paid by Lord Cholmley, fee-farmer of the rectory. 20 Feb. 1648–9. Signed by Sir Wm. Brereton, Sir G. Booth, and 7 others.* [1 *page.*]

14. IV. *Certificate by the Committee for approbation of ministers in favour of John Watson, as fit to receive any augmentation. Whitehall, 28 July 1654.* [1 *page.*]

Sept. 2. Order for the continuance of the augmentation accordingly. Approved 7 Sept. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 561, 566.]

[Sept. 2.] **15.** Petition of Margaret, widow of Edw. Rood, minister, to the Protector. My husband was deprived of maintenance, and 11 years a prisoner under the bishops, was plundered of all he had, and died in the service, leaving me with many children. Being very zealous, he was sent by Parliament to preach in Essex, Kent, and Suffolk, and won large sums of money, and multitudes of people to their cause. On a reference by Parliament to the Committee for plundered ministers, they ordered me half the moiety of a parsonage granted to Mr. Hughes, a godly minister, but I was deprived of it by Mr. Prynne, and was then ordered by the said Committee 100*l.* from Haberdashers' Hall, but gained no benefit, as Mr. Millington would not report the order to the House. I applied again to Parliament, and was referred with the Irish ladies to Gen. Fleetwood and Col. Dove, and ordered 15*s.* a week, which was paid from 8 March to 24 June last, and then denied, on a general Ordinance for the Exchequer. I beg an order for payment with arrears. With reference thereon to Council, 10 Aug. 1654. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

15. I. *Order in Parliament, referring her case to the Committee for plundered ministers, 30 Sept. 1564.* [½ *page.*]

15. II. *Order in the Committee for plundered ministers for payment of 100l., 22 Sept. 1648.* [⅔ *page.*]

Sept. 2. Order thereon to the treasurer of Goldsmiths' Hall, to pay her the 100*l.* and a pension of 20*s.* a week, with arrears. Approved 7 Sept. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 562, 566.]

Sept. 2. **16.** Petition of Col. Solomon Richards, for the officers of his late regiment, to the Protector. I had a commission from you, 21 Feb. 1649–50, to raise a regiment of foot in England for service in Ireland, and our pay was to date from our commissions. This concession was first made to me, and confirmed by you to divers of my officers, at your landing at Bristol. We had to wait so long for a wind that 4 months elapsed between the dates of our commissions and our being mustered in Ireland, for which time we received no pay, and yet our arrears are not allowed on our debentures. We beg that this may

be added to the rest of our arrears. With reference thereon to Council, 3 June 1654. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 2. Reference thereon by Council to Cols. Sydenham, Mackworth, and Jones, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 562.]

Sept. 2. Notes of petitions, all in *I.* 92, referred to the Committee for petitions, and of their reports, and orders thereon in Council, *I.* 75. viz. Jas. Phillips and Jenkin Lloyd, for co. Cardigan, for abatement of the county assessment. Order that the Army Committee give order for respiting the levying of ½ the assessments. Approved 11 Sept. [*I.* 92, *No.* 226, *I.* 75, *pp.* 562, 567.]

Wm. Hebditch, Wm. Doran, and Paul Roche, prisoners in the Marshalsea, taken at sea for piracy, for release. Order that they be released on bail to depart within 20 days, not to return without leave, and to do nothing prejudicial. [*I.* 92, *No.* 189, *I.* 75, *pp.* 557, 565., *I.* 112, *p.* 62, *I.* 113, *p.* 48.]

[Sept. 2.] **17.** Petition of the well-affected creditors and servants of the late King to the Protector. An Ordinance on our behalf has been approved by Council in your absence:—

(1.) That the restraint laid on sale of the goods of the late King, not in use for the State, be taken off, and the goods sold for our relief, according to 2 Acts of Parliament.

(2.) That there be further power for getting in the concealed personal estate of the late King.

We find, however, that your Highness intends to take a great part of the goods for your own use, which cannot be chosen till the trustees bring in their accounts, and meantime the said Ordinance cannot be passed. As it will be long before the accounts can pass, and many of us are perishing for want of bread, we beg you to pass so much of the Ordinance as concerns the getting in of moneys on discoveries, omitting only what relates to the goods. With reference to Council, 22 March 1654. [1 *page.*]

Annexing,

17. I. *Case of the servants and creditors of the late King:—*

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
The value of the goods as appraised is -				47,549	14	8
Deductions for over valuation - -	15,849	18	2			
For goods which the State is to have -	10,000	0	0			
For security for money lent the navy - -	10,000	0	0			
Goods reserved to the Protector - -	10,155	13	4			
				46,005	11	6
Value of goods to be sold - -				£1,544	3	2

[¾ *page.*]

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17. II. "*Note of several particulars in order to the making the report for the servants and creditors," detailing former proceedings, stating that a list of the goods and the payments therefrom, as first given by the clerk registrar on an order of July* 4, 1654, *came to* - - - - - 80,990 2 1

That on examination by the Committee of appeals and regulating the excise, it was reduced to - - - 47,549 14 8

The valuation at $\frac{2}{3}$ *by the Council of State being* - - - - 31,699 16 6

Of this 20,000*l. of goods are reserved to the State, and they beg that the remainder, value* 11,699*l.* 16*s.* 6*d. may be sold and the proceeds distributed among them. Also that* 15,918*l.* 1*s.* 4*d., lent to the navy, may be repaid or levied on discoveries, &c., &c.* [2 *pages.*]

17. III. *State of the account between the Commonwealth and the creditors of the late King and Queen.*

Receipts.

	£	s.	d.
Goods reserved to the Protector -	35,497	16	6
Goods vested in the trustees, now in the the service - - - -	12,051	18	2
Cash, part of 28,000*l., proceeds of goods sold to Sir H. Vane and Col. Downes*	15,918	1	4
	63,467	18	0

Payments.

Goods reserved by Act of 26 *June* 1649	10,000	0	0
Money secured to be paid out of discoveries by Act of 17 *July* 1651 -	25,918	1	4
Defalcation of $\frac{1}{3}$ *value for over valuation* - - - -	15,849	18	2
Deduction of value of horses at Tidbury	1,982	0	0
Balance due to creditors - -	9,717	18	6
	63,467	18	0

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[Sept. 2.] **18.** Petition of the poor domestic servants of the late King living within the late lines of communication to Council. We have presented a petition to his Highness, 23 March, who has referred it to you. We beg you forthwith to pay 9,717*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.* due to us, or most of it, out of some convenient treasury for our present relief, as we die daily by starving. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 2. **19.** Order on report from the Committee on the petition of the creditors and servants of the late King, Queen, and Prince, and on the statement of accounts,—showing that 9,717*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.* remained due to them, beside the 25,918*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.* secured to them by Act of 17 July 1651,—that the said 9,717*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.* be paid them out of the fines imposed by the Ordinance of pardon and grace for the people of Scotland, to be in full of all demands on the Acts of 26 June 1649 and of 17 July 1651, except the 25,918*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.* named in the latter Act. George Bilton, deputy treasurer at Leith, is to pay the said sums to persons authorised by the trustees for sale of the late King's goods, to be issued by them in fit proportions. [1¾ *pages. Also I.* 75, *p.* 564.]

[Sept. 2.] **19 a.** Note of a proposal for the moneys to be paid in to John Jackson, agent for the servants and creditors, and issued on warrants of the trustees for sale of the late King's goods. [⅔ *page.*]

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1. Council thinks fit to make no order on the petition of Maurice Wynn, John Ayton, and others, but leaves them to apply to Parliament.

7. The Ordinance for settling the powers of the Admiralty Commissioners to be read first this afternoon.

9. Capt. Rich. Pechell being behindhand in the receipt of 100*l.* a year ordered him from the revenue, the Commissioners of the Great Seal are to issue a warrant to the Treasury Commissioners for its payment. Approved 2 Sept.

11. An Ordinance appointing visitors for the universities and several schools read, amended, and agreed to. Approved 2 Sept.

12. Also an Ordinance to settle maintenance for preaching ministers, and to unite parishes. Approved 2 Sept.

13. Also an Ordinance to settle part of 30,000*l.* for payment of forces intended for special service. Approved 2 Sept.

14, 15. All money in arrear for pay of 4 serjeants, 1 corporal, 1 surgeon's mate, 1 gunsmith, and 1 gunsmith's mate, on their musters since August 22, 1653, to be paid by the War treasurers, and the Army Committee to issue warrants. Approved 2 Sept.

16. Approval by the Protector of 18 Ordinances, which are thereupon passed.

17. An Ordinance to limit the powers of the Admiralty Committee as to points of time read, and amended.

18–20. Draft of a commission and instructions for the Admiralty Commissioners, read, amended, and agreed to. Approved 2 Sept.

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21. An Ordinance for stating the accounts of Col. Rich. Laurence, and satisfaction of his arrears, read twice, and agreed to. Approved 2 Sept.

22. An Ordinance to continue the almsmen and almshouses at Windsor, as amended, agreed to. Approved 2 Sept. *Annexing,*

20. I. *Report of the Committee of Council who were to consider an establishment for the poor knights of Windsor, and other charitable uses, that an Ordinance should be drawn up by counsel to settle certain rectories late belonging to the Dean and Chapter of Windsor, on feoffees in trust for charitable uses, for the said uses, according to the first donation.* [$\frac{1}{3}$ *page.*]

20. II. *Draft of the above.* [$\frac{1}{3}$ *page.*]

27, 28. As it appears on reference on the petition of Henry Lord Herbert, that the lands settled on him by Act of Parliament of 16 July 1651 were in remainder, and the present estate for life sold to him free from fee-farm rents;—order that the said manors and lands be enjoyed by him and his heirs free from all fee farm rent. Approved 7 Sept.

30. An Ordinance for allowing payments made by virtue of warrants from Council, read, and agreed to.

31. **21.** Order on report from the Admiralty Commissioners, in the case of Thos. Ridley, master of the Providence of Boston,—which on her way from Hull to St. Valery's in France, under conduct of the Briar frigate, was run aboard and sunk by the Briar, through negligence of the captain,—that the Admiralty Commissioners direct the Commissioners for Prize goods to grant him a prize vessel, value 150*l.* in compensation for his loss. Approved 7 Sept. *Annexing,*

21. I. *Report alluded to, stating the value of the lading of lead and rape-seed in the lost ship at* 700*l. and that the petitioner is thereby ruined.* 29 *July* 1654. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

38. An order for repealing the power of the Admiralty Judges read, amended, and agreed to. Approved 2 Sept.

39. An Ordinance giving liberty for the carrying of millstones, timber, and stone read and agreed to. Approved 2 Sept.

41. Also an Ordinance for further doubling on Dean and Chapter manors, rectories, and glebe lands Approved 2 Sept.

42. Also an Ordinance to settle lands in Ireland on Commissary Gen. Reynolds. Approved 2 Sept.

43, 44, and 46. Approval by the Protector, and passing of 53 orders and ordinances. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 557–565.]

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Whitehall.

Council to the judges for relief of creditors and poor prisoners. On consideration of the report from Sir John Wollaston, Serjeant Steele Recorder of London, and others, on the case of Sir John

Jacob and the other farmers of customs under the late King, concerning their creditors, we refer it to you to relieve them according to your capacity, or to make the creditors submit to what is just. [*I.* 75, *p.* 566.]

Sept. 4. **22.** Petition of Hen. Lever, rector of Brandspeth, co. Durham, to the Protector. Six years since, I agreed with Mrs. Cosins, daughter of Dr. Cosins, for the rest of his children, to pay 20*l.* a year, as long as fifths should be due, in lieu of the $\frac{1}{5}$ of Brandspeth Rectory, which was done till 1652. She in Aug. 1654 procured your order for a clear $\frac{1}{5}$ of all parsonages wherein the doctor was interested at his sequestration, with arrears, and served me with an order for payment, not naming the agreement, which was made in a time of war, when no certain profits could be made of the rectory, and on payment of money therefor. I beg suspension of the order, and a reference of the case to persons of quality in the county. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 5. **23.** Petition of Wm. Pennoyer and Arnold Beake, merchants of London to the Protector. In May 1653, Remer Baggaert, of the Golden Lily of Flushing, laden with wine from Bayonne to Flushing, was taken and brought into Dover by some ships of the Commonwealth; and it being uncertain whether ships then stayed belonging to the United Provinces would be made prize, the Council of State, upon Baggaert's petition, gave order to the Commissioners of Customs to bring her into the Thames, and deliver the wine, which was perishable, being appraised, to the claimers, on security to answer the value in case it should be adjudged prize.

Baggaert thereupon desired the Customs Commissioners, in regard the price of such wine was well known, to prevent loss of time, and value it unseen, which was done, at the rate of 14*l.* per tun, which, exclusive of customs, amounted to 1,118*l.* 12*s.*, and he gave a bond for payment. Baggaert then found that the wine, from long keeping at Dover for want of a convoy, was unfit for use, and thereupon went beyond sea, leaving petitioners engaged to pay the money at which it was valued. They petitioned the Council of State, representing the great alteration in the value since it had been in the custody of the State's officers, and that a greater part was still in their possession, and praying for another survey and appraisement. Council referred it to the Admiralty Committee, who appointed the Commissioners of Customs and Prize goods to value it, and they certified the wine to be only worth 12*l.* 10*s.* a tun, whereupon the Admiralty Committee referred it back to the Council of State. They remitted it back to the Admiralty Committee, who directed the Commissioners for Prize goods to certify what the French wines taken out of 4 other ships brought in at the same time were sold for. They certified that after the Commissioners had paid the customs and all other charges except excise, they were sold for 8*l.* 5*s.* a tun, but before the Admiralty Committee could send their opinion to the Council of State, Parliament was dissolved.

Petitioners then sent their petition to the Council of State established by the succeeding Parliament, who by their order of 28 Oct.

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last, referred it to the Commissioners of Customs, who returned a certificate, but before it could be read, Parliament again dissolved. Beg an order to the Commissioners for Prize goods to cause a new appraisement to be made, and to deliver up the bonds, and reimburse the petitioners their customs, charges, and expenses. With order granting the petition. [*Copy*, 1 *sheet.*]

Sept. 6. **24.** A "note of the corn remains in the granary of your own growth," being an account of corn at Raby, 10 August 1654, and of what was spent till 5 September. [⅓ *page.*]

Sept. 7. Woolwich. **25.** Thos. Conyers to Sir Hen. Vane, sen., at his home near Charing Cross. On Brian Jackson's death I wrote you in behalf of his widow, my sister, and understood that you had ordered Latham, your servant, to let her remain in the farm; but now I hear that you have ordered your sons at Raby, Sir George and Wm. Vane, to enter on the farm, and she is only to dwell in the house and have 2 cows farmed. They say it is because, being a woman, she cannot manage the ground, and has let one close, and you do not like sub-letting. It is true she is poor and has 6 small children, but if she underlets and the rent is paid, what more? and she would have wherewith to feed the children.

She begs a lease of the farm on such terms as she can perform, and doubts not soon to be able to stock part of it. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 7. Levant Company to Major Lawrence, agent at Constantinople. We fear the consequence of the divisions there, but cannot better remedy them than by hastening away Major Salway, now confirmed ambassador. Meantime be provident to avoid expense from the present animosities. We have ordered that you leave at the end of your year's term, receiving the year's salary. We must examine Sir J. Bendish's opposition and expenses at his return.

As to the multiplied troubles with the Bashaw at Aleppo, letters are gone from Constantinople which may qualify his violent attempts. We hope Salway will have instructions to demand reparation for the past, and security against future injuries and infringements of the capitulations.

We have resolved not to allow more than 800 dollars a year to the treasurer at Constantinople, and have ordered the consul at Smyrna to have no treasurer there except at that salary. [*Levant papers, vol.* 4, *p.* 227.]

Sept. 7. Levant company to the consul at Aleppo. Yours of 8 Feb. 25 April, and 6 May, complain of the continued injustice and rapine of that Bashaw, as shown on occasion of the 2 French ships taken by a Spanish corsair at Scanderoon. We thank you for your care in opposing him, and hope that as the first pretence that the corsair was English is taken away, the second, that the captain omitted to defend the port will fall to the ground, as inconsistent with the capitulations for trade there. Major Salway will be empowered to redress such abuses, which Mr. Lawrence could not so well do.

We hope that you will protect trade, and that it will advance, and we

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shall be better able to recompense you. The intermission of your and Consul Bretton's gratuity of 1,000 dollars, shall only be for one year, provided it be deducted from the imposition of 2¼ dollars per cloth omitted to be paid here; or if there be not goods enough liable to this duty, from other public duties. Provided also that the 300 dollars for the minister's diet be paid by you therefrom, according to custom. We will provide a person in Mr. Hill's place. [*Levant papers, vol.* 4, *p.* 228.]

Sept. 7. Levant company to John Hobson, consul at Venice. We are glad to hear by yours of 3 and 24 July and 14 August that you have so progressed for abolishing the exaction of 2 dollars per mille on currants, and that you hope for a period to it. Continue your care, so as to free the trade from this or any other unreasonable demand. We will pay the bill of charges named in yours of 28 Aug. [*Levant papers, vol.* 4, *p.* 229.]

Sept. 7. Levant company to Rob. Pecket and Nich. Gainsford. We have received the letter and accounts of Hardy and Bentlow, the late treasurers. You having succeeded them, and being re-elected for another year, are to take good care of our affairs. On this peace with the Netherlands, we hope our duties, if carefully collected, will increase, extinguish our debts, and support our charge. Pray endeavour their total clearing.

After a year's intermission, the gratuity is to be continued to the consul, he allowing the minister's diet, and a defalcation is to be made from his future gratuity or salary of what was put to our account in former years, when he received the gratuity; also of 150 dollars for ½ his house rent, with which our account has been lately charged. Mr. Lawrence having agreed to remain a year, after which he is to return to England, you are to pay him 4,000 dollars salary and his disbursements, unless he be otherwise supplied at Constantinople. [*Levant papers, Vol.* 4, *p,* 230.]

Sept. 7. Approval by the Protector of 5 orders named. [*I.* 75, *p.* 566.]

Sept. 7. The Satisfaction, Liverpool. **26.** Capt. Mic. Nutton to Robt. Blackborne. I have been fitted and victualled, and will sail with a bark with the remainder of my victuals and the Hare's provisions with the first wind, for Inverlochy in the Highlands. Lord Chichester has come down to Chester with his lady, and desires a passage to Carrickfergus. [¾ *page.*]

Sept. 8. Navy Office. **27.** Navy Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. We have examined Capt. Poole's account for travelling expenses from Leghorn to London, and find no allowance has been made therefor in Capt. Badiley or Mr. Longland's accounts. It is clear that he was employed by the State, and that he came by land from Leghorn, and has a right to moderate charges, as also to 3 months' pay. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 8. Portsmouth. **28.** Capt. Fras. Willoughby to Robt. Blackborne. Thanks for your letters, although they are in proportion only 1 to 6 of mine. I might have been in London for anything that required my attendance

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at Portsmouth at present. The Essex has been fitted and put to sea, but has come back through foul weather; her new mast is not so good as it might have been, but was the best in the stores. I understand Parliament have met and chosen the old for the new speaker; I hope the Lord will make them all apprehensive of the weight of the work they have undertaken, and help them to set themselves as in the sight of God, to intend his glory and the good of this poor nation. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 9. Articles between General Monk and James Lord Forester:—

1. Forester is to repair to Stirling, and deliver up his arms to Lieut.-Col. Pike or Major Clobry.

2. He is to give security in 1,000*l.* for good conduct, his officers to give security, and his soldiers to take the engagement.

3, 6, and 7, are similar to 3, 11, and 12, in the articles with the Earl of Athol. [*See p.* 333 *suprà.*]

4. Forester paying 1,500*l.* in part of the fine appointed him by the Act of pardon, the rest shall be remitted, and he and 9 officers named, and all his other officers and soldiers enjoy their estates, unless disposed of by donative. If his estate cannot bear the 1,500*l.*, the General will endeavour the taking it off.

5. He is to liberate his prisoners, English or Scotch, and those belonging to his party are to be liberated. [*pp.* 8–9.]

Sept. 11. 1. Approval by the Protector of 5 orders named. [*I.* 75, *p.* 567.]

Sept. 11. **29.** Petition of Ann, orphan daughter of the late Hugh Wood, page of the late King's bedchamber, to the Protector and Council. By a decree of the court of Requests 12 years since, my father sent John Prichard prisoner to the Fleet, for 160*l.* debt, there to continue till he paid the money, and gave up a debenture for 13*l.* 16*s.*, and a letter of attorney by which he had received 500*l.* of my father's salary. Yet Mr. Hopkins, warden of the Fleet, freed him, on bond of Wm. Thomas in 300*l.* that he should return when required, and pay the warden's fees. Prichard died at his house in Westmoreland 10 years ago, having received more of my father's money which came into Thomas' hands. 8 years ago, when I was 5 years old, my father died, but I could do nothing till August 1653, when my mother and father-in-law petitioned the judges for prisoners at Salter's Hall for relief; but that court was adjourned the day the case was to be heard, and now the judges say they can do nothing. My father paid 100*l.* for the decree, and now I shall lose all without your help. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 13. Sparrow Pink, Scarborough. **30.** Capt. John Wetwang to the Admiralty Committee. I have been in the north of Scotland at the Lewis Islands, and at Lochaber in the west of Scotland. My ship is much injured by bad weather. Gen. Monk now orders me to ply between Flamborough Head and Holy Island, and when my 6 weeks' provisions are spent, to victual at Newcastle, but we cannot winter here without repairs. We hear of a small French man-of-war, but have not seen her. Noted "To send for the Sparrow in." [1 *page.*]

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Sept. 14. Articles of agreement between General Monk and Robert Viscount Kenmure.

1. Kenmure and his party are to deliver up their arms to Capt. Thos. Empson of Dumfries.

2. He is to give security in 3,000*l.* for his peaceable deportment, his officers to give security, and his soldiers to take an engagement.

3–5. The same as 3, 5, and 7, and 8, 9 as 11, and 12 in the articles to the Earl of Athol [*p.* 333, *suprâ.*]

6. All of his party in custody at Carlisle or Dumfries, or on parole, are to be discharged, and they to discharge all prisoners belonging to the English army taken by them, whether English or Scots.

8. Kenmure not to be debarred from any future favour which the Protector may think fit to confer on him. [*I.* 96, *pp.* 3, 4.]

Sept. 15. The Satisfaction, Liverpool.

31. Capt. Michael Nutton to Robert Blackborne. I am still waiting to get out, but it is dangerous for such a ship as ours, and without easterly wind and spring tides no one will undertake it. We muster 100 men. Capt. Thomson of the Advantage has come in. Lord Chichester and his lady are on board, and will land at Carrickfergus. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 15. The Advantage, Highlake, near Liverpool.

32. Capt. Edm. Thomson to the Navy Commissioners. I remained 6 weeks at Inverlochy, by order of Col. Brayne, and then went to the Isle of Skye, to interrupt Middleton in the transporting of his forces there. The isle is commanded by Sir Jas. Macdonald, who is very faithful to the Commonwealth, and raised a force to oppose Middleton, who was beaten, and then marched towards Lohaber. We remained to victual. We spared some powder, shot, &c. for Macdonald. The Islip is the only man-of-war at Inverlochy. You will have heard of the taking of Middleton's man-of-war that brought him from Holland, and has been skulking about the isles of Scotland ever since. We supplied Col. Brayne with some ammunition and stores by Gen. Monk's order; we will make all dispatch to Inverlochy. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 15. St. Ives.

33. Rich. Cowch to Capt. John Pearce, at Wm. Chamberlain's, Cannon Street. We have taken great store of fish since you left, and I can sell very good pilchards at 3*s.* the hogshead; the price current is 8*s.* I should be glad to see you. I desire you to buy me a silver twist hatband of about 20*s.*, and my wife a scarf with bone lace. [½ *page.*]

Sept. 18. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings. At Major-Gen. Lambert's lodgings.

1–4. Any one having the keys of the mansion houses and offices lately belonging to John Brooks, Ed. Pitts, or John Savile, tellers of the receipt of Exchequer to the late King, to deliver them up respectively to Chris. Lister, Ed. Horseman, and John Stone, now constituted tellers by his Highness' patents. Approved 18 Sept. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 567, 568.]

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Sept. 18. **34.** Bond of John Miller, of Paul's parish, Covent Garden, tailor, and Hugh Lord Montgomery in 100*l.*, for payment of 51*l.* 10*s.* to Frances Light, spinster, of East Greenwich, Kent, before 19 March next, in the Middle Temple dining hall. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 18. Portsmouth. **35.** Capt. Fra. Willoughby to Robt. Blackborne. I thank you for your intelligence, as it keeps me alive in my solitary place. The revolutions in the world are under Divine guidance, and we must have faith. I hope the Parliament will not meet with any more such great rubs, but if they sit, will be helped to carry on their work. Vice-admiral Lawson has arrived, and is at a loss whether he shall continue in the Fairfax, which he wants refitted. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 19. Declaration of the Protector and Parliament for a day of fasting and humiliation. Though God has given us so many and great mercies, we have multiplied our provocations; by ignorance and unthankfulness; by not acknowledging His hand in our calamities; by not bemoaning our iniquities; by a profane and Laodicean spirit, turning the grace of God into wantonness; by want of zeal in magistrates and officers to suppress enormities.

For all these things we should humble ourselves, that we may wrestle and prevail with God for the removal of our darkness, profaneness, and formality, and pray Him to make us a chosen people, quiet the spirits of men, and heal and restore us.

Especially that he would enable the rulers of these nations to proceed with zeal, wisdom, and union, to act for the interest of Christ and good of his people, that these nations may be established on the foundations of truth, righteousness, and peace. We therefore set apart Oct. 11th for a day of humiliation for these purposes in England and Scotland, and Nov. 1st in Ireland. The ministers to take notice, and copies of this declaration to be sent into the several parts of the 3 nations. [4 *pages printed. Coll. of Acts, Vol.* 2, *No.* 83. *Rec. Off. library,* 498 *F.*]

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3. To empower John Whitworth, Commissary Thos. Fowler, and Charles Walley, jun., to impress vessels in Liverpool or Chester waters to transport to Scotland the provision of clothes and victuals for the forces at Inverlochy, allowing the masters reasonable hire. All officers by sea and land to assist. In order to encourage the shipmasters to proceed on this expedition, those who receive the provisions in Scotland shall not require of them the same weight of cheese at unlading as was put aboard, nor make defalcation of freight on them therefor, provided they deliver up the full number of cheeses shipped.

4. As the 3 months' pay for the forces lately sent from Ireland to Scotland is almost all to be laid out in clothes and victuals for them, and as they also need money, while the season allows its sending, the Army Committee is to order the treasurers-at-war to pay 3,633*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* to Com. Thos. Fowler, to be sent them forthwith in specie by sea.

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5. As the 150*l.* due to Col. Ingoldsby's regiment was to be paid from the assessments of the merchants of the Intercourse, on which Council have ordered proceedings to be forborne till a matter depending on the merchants' petition is determined, the Army Committee are to order the Treasurers-at-war to pay the money. Approved 26 Sept.

6. **36.** The petition of James Auzot, master of the St. John, of Dieppe, for a pass from thence to Cape Verd, and other French plantations in Africa, and to return; and a letter from M. Montigny, Governor of Dieppe, recommending his petition, referred to the Admiralty Commissioners, to report.

7. Council to meet at 4 to-morrow.

8. Mr. Lockyer and Mr. Sterry to inquire about Thos. Bridge of Petworth, as to his submission to the present Government, and his fitness to preach the Gospel, and to report.

9. To advance 50*l.* out of the Council's contingencies to Mr. Mader, recommended by Mr. Nye as preacher of the Gospel in Ireland, for his expenses thither, and to recommend the Lord Deputy and Council there to settle a fit salary on him. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 568–570.]

Sept. 20. Whitehall. Council to the sheriffs of counties. You will receive herewith several printed copies of a declaration of his Highness and Parliament, appointing a day of fasting to the 3 nations, which you are to publish to the parishes and congregations within your jurisdiction. [*I.* 75, *p.* 570.]

Sept. 20. Whitehall. Council to Gen. Geo. Monck, commander-in-chief of the forces in Scotland. His Highness and Parliament have passed a declaration appointing a day of fasting within the 3 nations. We enclose several copies thereof, and desire you to make it known within your dominion of Scotland. [*I.* 75, *p.* 571.]

Sept. 21. Note of a petition, referred 21 April 1654 to the Committee for petitions, of certain merchants of London, for payment of 3,674*l.* for moneys by them advanced at Merchant Tailors' Hall, in obedience to an Ordinance of Parliament of 8 July 1645, on bonds on the Algiers duty. Order on report from the Commissioners of Customs, —giving a list of sums unpaid to persons who advanced ¼ per cent. for the said duty on the said Ordinance, total 5,382*l.* 9*s.* 11*d.*, and stating that they see no reason against the payment, which has not been made for want of an order,—that the Committee for preservation of Customs give warrant to the Customs' Commissioners for payment to the persons concerned. Approved 26 Sept. [*I.* 92, *No.* 54; *I.* 75, *pp.* 571, 575.]

Sept. 21. **37.** Petition of Robt. Williams, master of the Anne and Margaret of London, to Council, for the convoy of a man-of-war to Rotterdam. His ship, richly laden, lies at Gravesend, but he does not proceed because of pirates. Some Hollanders are at Gravesend, also unable to proceed without convoy, and all are at heavy charges, and in danger of losing their markets. The Admiralty Commissioners have not power to afford a convoy without order of the Council. [1 *page.*]

Sept. 21. **38.** Order thereon that the Admiralty Commissioners appoint such a ship as they judge fit and necessary. [⅔ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 572.]

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2. Major, Montague, and Mackworth to examine Theodore Jennings, and—Griffith, as to their pretences to have pay for their attendance at Whitehall Chapel, and the grounds of Griffith's displacing, and to report; if Griffith is not continued, he is to be relieved some other way.

5, 9. Thirteen warrants for payment of money approved and ordered to be signed.

6. Peter Sterry appointed to preach every fortnight on Thursday, at the chapel at Whitehall, in the forenoon. Approved 21 Sept.

10. **39.** On Gen. Desborow's report from the Admiralty Committee, a list of 40 ships for this winter's guard on the coasts of England, Scotland, and Ireland, containing 4,980 men and 1,184 guns, approved, and to be offered to Parliament.

11. The Admiralty Committee to order the residue of the fleet now at sea (not comprehended in the 2 squadrons for foreign service under Gens. Blake and Penn) to be called in and discharged. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 571–575.]

Sept. 23. Chester. **40.** Saml. Windis to the Navy Commissioners. It is not true, as stated by Dermott, the Muster Master General, that the captain of the Satisfaction took up 2 months' pay for his men, and restricted them to one shop to buy their clothes at dear rates. The captain was ordered by Gen. Monk to apply to Mr. Walley for what was wanted, and asked 2 months' pay for the men, to be spent in clothes, as they had been impressed from other ships and wanted them Walley not being willing to meddle with it, I undertook the business. at the men's request, bought their clothes cheaply, and supplied them with money on their tickets, and never received more than 6*d.* in the pound for all the trouble. I can charge Dermott with falsifying my sea book, borrowing money as for victuals supplied, accepting bribes, and defrauding under colour of your warrants and authority. I took 1*s.* in the pound from 15 discharged men to receive their money in London, and to pay it here; but I refused the offer of others to allow me 3*s.* in the pound on their tickets. [2 *pp.*]

Sept. 23. Articles between Gen. Monk and Sir Rob. Graham, laird of Morphey, and John Graham, jun., laird of Fentry, for James Marquis of Montrose:—

1. The Marquis and his party to come to Dundee and deliver up their arms to Col. Ralph Cobbêt.

2. The Marquis to give security in 3,000*l.*, and his officers to give security for good conduct, and his soldiers to take the engagement.

3, 5, 7, and 8 are similar to 3, 5, 11, and 12 in the articles to the Earl of Athol. [*p.* 333 *suprà.*]

4. The Marquis and 25 others named, and all non-commissioned officers and private soldiers under him, who have not already capi-

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tulated,—unless they have killed men in cold blood—to enjoy their estates unless disposed of by donative.

6. The prisoners of war belonging to his party to be liberated, and he to liberate his prisoners, whether English or Scotch. [*I.* 76, *pp.* 7–8.]

Sept. 25. London. Levant Company to Spencer Bretton, consul at Smyrna. We are satisfied with your course about Domingo Vaes de Brito, used to hinder the beginning of a baneful trade, and we will save you harmless. Yet we wish some compromise could be made without proving a precedent, having promised him favour. We send your minister, Rob. Winchester, who is to have 200 dollars a year.

We hope you and others will try to prevent the disasters and expense that may arise by the animosity between Sir Thos. Bendish and Mr. Laurence; we will try to remedy it by hastening Major Salway. Care must be taken to prevent the designs of strangers, and their propensity to create avanias upon us, as was feared on occasion of the French prize brought in by the African.

We are glad to find by your accounts that part of our bills of exchange are cleared, and hope the rest will be soon. Your charge of 150 dollars for ½ your house rent is an innovation, and can not be allowed when you have the gratuity. Also we resent your laying an average on the lading of the Lewis for repair of her main mast. It is contrary to law, reason, and custom, and may be a bad precedent to expose us to the frivolous and unjust demands of seamen, who will multiply them at pleasure. Besides you imposed it only with advice of the shipmaster and 3 others, and against the consent of the rest of the factory, and compelled the payment by menaces unsuitable to your position.

To rectify the abuse of passing silks as coal, we have ordered, as you advise the consulage of silk to be ½ a dollar per "Battman;" and for the certain collection of this duty, particulars of the silk are to be sent home with every ship.

The treasurer at Constantinople has charged us with 1,500 dollars salary, whereas we only allow 800. Do not look for any treasurer at a higher allowance. As to the treasurer at Smyrna, we think the office might be executed yearly by turns. Rich. Laurence is to be paid 4,000 dollars, and expenses for his year at Constantinople. [*Levant Papers, Vol.* 4, *pp.* 231–234.]

Sept. [25]. London. Levant Company to the Dey and Bey of Tunis. We thank you for your affection to us and care of our trade shown in your letter, but cannot answer it until our ambassador is dispatched to Constantinople. He will have directions to settle affairs there as well as in other parts of the Grand Seignor's dominions. [*Levant Papers, Vol.* 4, *p.* 234.]

Sept. 26. Approval by the Protector of 7 orders and ordinances named. [*I.* 75, *p.* 575.]

Sept. 26. **41.** Jno. Hightor to the Rev. Mr. Legate. I am troubled not only at the discontents abroad, but that there are many in trust, and

some commanders in the present expedition who are cavaliers and enemies to His Highness and the Government. Lieut. Samford, an officer in Capt. Tucker's ship, which is one of the Rear-admiral's under General Blake, alleged that notwithstanding Blake endeavoured to draw them to close with the present Government, yet three parts of the fleet, when opportunity offered, would turn their broadsides, notwithstanding Blake's pretences, against his Highness and the present Government, as freely as ever they did against the King; and that his captain was of the same opinion. Samford was a known cavalier, but lately joined the Anabaptists as a preacher, and holds that there is no Resurrection. [1 *page.*]

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2. All gunpowder remaining in the Tower, about 3,000 barrels, to be removed to Plymouth and such other garrisons as the Admiralty Commissioners shall judge fit, and they are to order its removal. [*I.* 76, *p.* 375.]

Sept. 29. **42.** Quarterly bill of Col. John Barkstead, for fees of gentleman porter, yeoman warders, and other officers of the Tower, from 25 June to 29 Sept. 1654, 378*l.* 13*s.* 8¼*d.*, and for repairs and diet of prisoners, total 587*l.* 4*s.* 7¼*d.* [3 *sheets.*] *Annexing,*

Vouchers for the above accounts :—

42. I.–VI. *Receipted bills for the repairs done to the Tower.* [6 *papers.*]

42. VII.–XXV. *Receipts for allowances of the prisoners and their keepers, viz. :—*

Lieut.-Col. John Lilburne.
John Wiseman.
Chas. Gerard.
Peter Vowell.
Mich. Mason.
Somerset and Francis Fox.
Thos. Sanders.
Dr. Theodore Nauden.

[19 *papers.*]

[Sept.] **43.** Note of purchase by Mr. Towne for 3,313*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.* of 2 parcels of land in Gutter's hills and Martin's Hawes, 56 acres, rent 36*l.* 10*s.*, and 50 acres, rent 23*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* [⅔ *page.*]

Sept ? **44.** Petition of Roger Gillingham, clerk to Dr. Benet, master in Chancery, to the Protector. By the late Ordinance for regulating the Court of Chancery, the 6 masters are to have a registrar. Begs the office, having been long employed in such business. [¾ *page.*] *Annexing,*

44. I. *Certificate by Hugh Wyndham, Edm. Prideaux, and* 11 *others to his good conduct, and ability, and recommending him for the registrarship.* 2 *Sept.* 1654. [*Copy,* ¾ *page.*]

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Oct. 2. **45.** Petition of Henry Walsh, prisoner in the Gatehouse, to the Protector and Council, for release. On malicious information, was committed 11 April 1654, and for the last two months, for want of means to satisfy his keepers, has been in the dungeon. Though twice examined, no proof has been made of any misdemeanour or offence. Is neither Jesuit nor priest as alleged. [½ *page.*]

Oct. 3. **46.** Certificate by Serjeant Dendy that Thos. Wright, one of his deputies, has constantly attended, the late reducement notwithstanding, having received neither his discharge nor his arrears, and has therefore been employed accordingly. [¾ *page.*]

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4. Order on petition of James le Bass, of Dieppe, late master of the Elizabeth, laden with tobacco, which was taken by the Dragon frigate and brought into Weymouth,—stating that he is a Protestant, had formerly a ship taken by the English, and that the ruin of his family is herein concerned,—that the vessel and lading be restored on his paying a reasonable valuation.

5. Thos. Smithsby's petition referred to Pickering, Strickland, and Jones, to report.

6. To request his Highness that 2,000*l.* may by his warrant be issued out of a fit treasury to Mr. Embree, for his charge in repairs at Whitehall.

7. Order on a certificate annexed, that Council are satisfied of the submission and obedience to Government of Thos. Bridge of Petworth, and that if the Committee for approbation of public preachers find him fit to preach the Gospel, he may do so, the Ordinance restraining sequestrated persons from livings notwithstanding. *Annexing,*

47. I. *Certificate by Peter Sterry and Nich. Lockyer, that on order of Council they have spoken with Mr. Bridge, find his submission to the present authority full and free, and request Council to take off the bar put on him by the Ordinance concerning sequestered persons, and refer him to the Committee for approbation of Ministers, in reference to his fitness for preaching.* [¾ *page.*]

9. A paper presented by Mr. Babington, keeper of Greenwich House, concerning several persons lodging there to its prejudice, referred to Pickering and Strickland, to learn on what pretences they lodge there, and report. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 576–578.]

Oct. 6. Note of a petition, referred to the Committee for petitions, of Step. Michell, master of the Goodwill, for a hearing, or to be left to his course at law, about a difference with Sam. Boothouse, concerning some Turks taken by the Malta galley. Order in Council for his discharge, being in custody of the serjeant-at-arms, on the Admiralty Committee's report on the complaint of Boothouse, who has not prosecuted it. [*I.* 92, *Nos.* 194, 207, 227 : *I.* 75, *p.* 579.]

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3. Order on a paper from the Dutch ambassadors extraordinary of August 24, 1654, concerning the proceedings of Thos. Gill, an officer of the port at Bristol, about the Hope of Middleburg, that the Customs' Commissioners examine the said paper and those annexed, and report.

5. **48.** The order of Parliament sent this day to Council concerning the calling in of 28 ships to be transmitted to the Admiralty Committee.

10. Mandy to prepare a mace for John Lynne, appointed to attend on the Treasury Commissioners.

11. Mr. Jessop to learn from the Admiralty Commissioners whether the Pelican of ——— and the Lewis of ——— be discharged, or how otherwise disposed of.

12. The petition of Thos. Barnardiston, Thos. Bludworth, and Wm. Love, merchants, and company, for leave to ship out 6,000*l.* in rix dollars for enabling an intended voyage to the East Indies, read.

13. Also the petition of Mrs. Dod for license to transport a quantity of butter beyond sea. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 578, 579.]

Oct. 6. Chester. **49.** Sam. Windis to the Navy Commissioners. I send a vindication of my proceedings, in answer to a complaint against me by the officers and men of the Satisfaction. I have written the Admiralty Committee for a commission to examine witnesses, and left it to them to find a fit person. Dermott is my worst enemy, Weedon, the steward, is the liar who said I boasted I should put 100*l.* in my pocket by every one of your orders, and I never had one I got 6*d.* by. I hope you will hear more of the business between myself and Capt. Sherwin. Weedon used to get what money he could, and cheat the men of it. If the truth were sifted as to Peirson and Weedon's complaint of the stinking beef, it would be as pretty a question as that asked by Henry VIII. to a complainer against Cranmer, charging him for a sermon he preached at Canterbury. Said the King, "Where live you?" "In Hertfordshire," said he. "Indeed," said the King, "You have a long ear to "hear out of Hertfordshire what Cranmer spake at Canterbury." To apply this, it must be remembered they were not in the ship for 6 months before, and not until after the beef was eaten. I hope you will sign my 36 tickets, so that I may get my money, and if my actions have the strictest scrutiny, my enemies will have done me good. [1 *page.*]

Oct. 9. **50.** Petition of Fras. Downham, upholsterer to the Protector, to Council. Has a personal estate of value in Holland, but can only recover it by accepting part of it in whalebone and train oil, which are prohibited, but their import will be beneficial, being for present expense, and the Greenland fleet is not to go out again till next summer. Begs a license to import 100 tons of whalebone and oil. [1 *page.*]

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1, 2. Order on a paper from the Dutch ambassadors extraordinary, representing great insolences committed by Capt. Peirson, commander of a dogger boat employed as a privateer against the Sea Horse of Zealand, that warrants be issued to secure Peirson and his ship, and preserve the Sea Horse, and that the Admiralty Commissioners take order that the warrants be put into effectual and speedy execution.

4. Council to meet at 4 next Thursday, to consider the continuance of commissions to privateers. Desborow to be present.

7. The petition of Alex. Ackhurst and Geo. Abdy, committed to the serjeant-at-arms, referred to the former committee, to speak with them and report; Sydenham, Pickering, Lisle, Strickland, and Fiennes added to the Committee.

11. Five warrants to Mr. Frost for payment of moneys signed by Council. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 578–581.]

Oct. 12. Note of a petition referred to the Committee for Petitions, of the chiefest of the parish of St. Botolph's-extra-Bishopsgate, London, for liberty to choose a minister in the place of Mr. Simpson, which his Highness refers to Council. Order in Council that Mr. Jessop answer the parties who attend at the door on their behalf. [*I.* 92, *Nos.* 190, 216; *I.* 75, *p.* 582.]

Oct. 12. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order on Desborow's report from the Admiralty Committee, that a letter now presented for determining the contract with the former Navy Victuallers, and for stating their accounts, be presented to his Highness for signature.

3. To advise his Highness that the Admiralty Commissioners be empowered to contract with fit persons to victual the vessels for the winter guard both in harbour and at sea, at a rate not exceeding 8½*d.* a head at sea and 7½*d.* in harbour, the men not exceeding 4,000.

4. The registrars of the Admiralty Court to prepare a list of vessels employed as privateers on letters of marque out of the Admiralty Court, their commanders' names, the time of their issuing forth, and the securities for execution of their power.

5. The Committee on Mr. Ackhurst and Mr. Abdy's business to report next Tuesday. The Earl of Mulgrave added to the Committee.

6. To advise his Highness that direction be given to the Commissioners of the Great Seal to pass a warrant empowering the Treasury Commissioners to issue 100,000*l.* to the Navy Treasurer towards defraying the charge of the fleet; also so much money to the War Treasurers to pay the land forces as amounts to 2 months' pay, according to the army establishment. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 581, 582.]

Oct. 16. Papers relating to the hire of the Levant Merchant in the Straits, viz.:—

51. Account of disbursements by the captain, Step. Marsh, in

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setting her out for the service; total 4,400 dollars. Leghorn, 18 June 1652. [2 *columns.*]

52. Declaration by Charles Longland, that the Levant Merchant was compelled to surrender in the fight with the Dutch before Leghorn on 14 March 1652–3, being attacked both by the Madonna Della Vigna and the Maid of Enchuisen. 9 June 1653. [1 *page.*]

53. Valuation by John Robinson and 11 others of the said ship, including sums due for her hire; total 6,365*l.* 10*s.*, of which Longland has paid 900*l.* 16 Oct. 1654. [2⅔ *pages.*]

Oct. 17. **54.** Petition of Thos. Thornton, minister, to Council, for payment according to the Ordinance of the sum needed for transport of himself and family into Ireland. His Highness, on his approbation by the Commissioners, granted his request, referring it to Council for dispatch, as winter is drawing on, and he is at great charge by staying with his family in town. [½ *page.*]

Oct. 17. Order for 50*l.* from Council's contingencies, for his transport to Ireland to preach the Gospel. [*I.* 75, *p.* 538; *I.* 105, *p.* 116.]

Oct. 17. **55.** Petition of Edw. Smith, of Esh, co. Durham, to Council, for license to go to any port of France, with one servant, being a scholar, and wishing to travel beyond seas. [1 *page.*]

Oct. 17. Order for a pass accordingly. [*I.* 75, *p.* 585; *I.* 112, *p.* 68; *I.* 113, *p.* 58.]

Oct. 17. **56.** Petition of John Tilson, gentleman, and others to the Protector and Council, to prohibit Charles Gibbons, a tennis court keeper, near Lincoln's Inn Fields, from erecting another tennis court, to the disturbance of his neighbours, and ill example of others in this time of reformation, he having one already which entertains company at unseasonable hours. No one formerly undertook such building without special authority, and his Highness has lately suppressed unnecessary buildings in James's Field. [½ *page.*]

Oct. 17. Note of the reading of the petition in Council, but no order. [*I.* 75, *p.* 585.]

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4. **57.** The Admiralty Commissioners speedily to report the matter of fact concerning the 11 ships mentioned in the Protector's order of Sept. 28 last.

5. Order, on signification of his Highness' approbation, that John Leslie, Earl of Rothes, remain at liberty as at present, 3 months after expiration of the time allowed him, on his renewing bail to the Lieutenant of the Tower, according to the purport of his bonds.

7. A copy of the establishment for a special service, and an Ordinance of his Highness and Council for payment of 30,000*l.* for use of the forces appointed thereunto, to be prepared by the Clerk of Council.

9. The muskets, swords, and other arms and utensils of war at Exeter Castle to be removed to Plymouth or Pendennis Castle.

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Desborow to give direction for their secure removal, and the defraying of the charge.

10. The Governor of Pendennis Castle to cause what remains of the guard house standing at Little Dennis to be removed to Pendennis Castle, and disposed of for the State's service.

11. The Governor of Portland castle to disband one common soldier, and in his place receive and allow soldier's pay to Wm. Davis, now living at Sanford Castle, and allow him to reside there. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 583–5.]

Oct. 17. Whitehall. The Protector to Col. Thos. Pride, Rich. Price, Thos. Alderne, and the other contractors for victualling the Navy. On consideration of your paper presented Jan. 13, 1653–4, giving me notice of your desire as to a cessation of your contracts for victualling the Navy, leaving the time of its period to me, I declare that the final cessation of the contract shall be the 12th present. The Navy Commissioners are directed to proceed on your accounts in order to the stating thereof as desired in your paper. [*I.* 75, *p.* 581.]

Oct. 17. **58–60.** Statement of a case before the Probate Court, sitting at Westminster, in the place lately called the Star Chamber, of Fras. Huncks against Wm. Pennoyer and Hen. Bornford, both desiring administration of the goods of Edw. Aylesworth. That Dame Katherine Huncks, named in the lease made by Sir Edw. Conway to Edw. Aylesworth, survived her husband, Sir Thomas, and has children living, Sir Fulk, Henry, Francis, Hercules, Thomas, Elizabeth, and Mary Huncks. That in her will, 13 June 1635, she gave Henry 500*l.*, named in the said lease, and made him her executor, but on 2 July 1641, though leaving the 500*l.* as before, she made Henry Viscount Conway her executor.

That on her death, Henry Huncks, on 7 July 1646, procured a probate of the said revoked will, and assigned the 500*l.* to Tobias Dixon and Wm. Pennoyer. But Lord Conway made void the will and probate, and procured a probate of the second will, 18 June 1652, Edw. Aylesworth being the surviving trustee named in the lease. The Court decided that Pennoyer and Bornford had no claim, and that the administration should rest in Fras. Huncks, unless any other children of Lady Huncks should show cause why a limited administration, as to the lease and the 500*l.*, should not be granted to Francis Huncks. [2½ *pp.* 3 *copies.*]

Oct. 19. **61.** Petition of Cæsar, son of the late Alderman Cranmer, aged 20, to the President and Council, for a pass for himself and servant to the Low Countries, for improvement of his estate. [½ *page.*]

Oct. 19. Order for a pass accordingly. [*I.* 75, *p.* 585; *I.* 112, *p.* 69; *I.* 113, *p.* 60.]

Oct. 19. **62.** Petition of Maurice or Rich. Barkley to Council, for a license to transport 30 couple of hunting dogs, with 2 servants, to any port of France. [1 *page.*]

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Oct. 19. Order in Council granting the warrant. [*I.* 75, *p.* 585; *I.* 112, *p.* 69; *I.* 113, *p.* 60.]

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3. Order that the Protector's life guard being established at 45 gentlemen, beside officers, the 10 now attending the commander-in-chief in Scotland are to be continued as formerly, and to be paid by the Army Committee beside the 45.

4. The petition of Sarah, widow and executrix of Wm. Bradshaw, concerning moneys due to her late husband as officer of the King's household, read.

5. The Army Committee to issue warrants to the war treasurers to send 40,000*l.* each to Scotland and Ireland, to pay the forces there, and the war treasurers are to observe the warrants, and the money to be transported in such ships as the Admiralty Commissioners shall design.

6. The Army Committee to issue warrants to the war treasurers to pay, out of the monthly assessments, a full month's pay to the forces of the Commonwealth according to the Army establishment, including the additional forces and contingencies.

7. A book entitled "An answer to one part of the Lord Protector's speech," &c., published by John Spittlehouse, and printed by Livewell Chapman, to be sent to the Attorney-General, who is to proceed against them according to law, give account to Council of his opinion, and meanwhile the serjeant-at-arms is to retain them in custody.

9. Five warrants to Frost for payment of moneys signed by Council. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 585, 586.]

Oct. 21. **63.** Certificate by John Powell, clerk to Thos. Player, chamberlain of the city of London, that on 27 Jan. 1641–2, Jacob Bonamy and Wm. Goodday, 2 of the common councilmen of Farringdon ward, paid 190*l.*, lent by them and the inhabitants of the parish, towards the loan of 50,000*l.* desired by Parliament for suppressing the rebels in Ireland, at 8 per cent. interest. [⅔ *page.*] *Annexing,*

63. I. *List of* 10 *parishioners of Andrew's, Holborn, who lent the* 190*l. in sums varying from* 5*l. to* 50*l.; the interest for* 12 *years being* 192*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* [1 *page.*]

63. II. *Receipt by Edm. Hodgson, clerk of Rob. Bateman, chamberlain of the city of London, of the said sum,* 27 *Jan.* 1641–2. *Endorsed with certificate by Wm. Massey, that Bonamy's claims for public faith bills, were presented to the Committee,* 9 *March* 1653–4. [⅔ *page. Printed form, filled up.*]

Oct. 21. **64.** Examination of Abraham Granger before the Admiralty Committee. Has counterfeited warrants of the Commissioners to the value of 600*l.*, and Fugill received ½ the proceeds. Was formerly on the pillory for like offences, and lost his ears. Denies the complicity of any of the clerks of the Navy or Prize office, but admits that he

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first got the warrants from the Navy office, and Fugill got out orders thereupon from the Admiralty Commissioners. His associates are Thos. Cotton, Painter, and Clerke of Holland.

Pretended to Fugill that 2*s.* in the pound was to go to the share of a private confederate, whom he was engaged not to name, but it was only a colour to put off Fugill with 9*s.* in the pound. One of his brothers lives with his mother, and had some share with him in the first business of the debentures; his other brother is a brewer in Tower Street; Bateson lives in Shoe Lane. Has not seen Cotton for 2 months; he lives about the new market in Covent Garden. His wife lives in Kent, but has no children, and his horse is in Chelsea. Nich. Greenway is his brother-in-law; does not know where he lives.

Gusmond, a Spaniard, brought him and Syddall together, and it was agreed that Syddall should have his share, he promising a sight of a warrant, after which, if examinant could write, Syddall said they would pass.

Has received as his share 300*l.*, procured on the counterfeit warrants; Fugill had no share in the debentures, and he lives at Chelsea. Syddall had $\frac{1}{3}$ of all the warrants wherein he assisted. Syddall told him of the counterfeit warrant for 240*l.*

Made all the warrants mentioned in the first paragraph of his confession, and drew all the rest upon the advice of Syddall, whom he met at the Half Moon in Cheapside, and the Mitre in Fenchurch Street. Fugill never knew of his confederacy with Syddall. Gusmond lives in Rood Lane. Fugill was beneficial to Dalton, the doorkeeper at the Prize office. [$2\frac{1}{4}$ *pages.*]

Oct. ? **65.** List of persons who have cheated the State of several sums of money, viz.,

Capt. Brotherton and Joh. Cotton, of Fulham, Middlesex.

Col. Geo. Keyes, of London.

Col. Jno. Jackson, the Bear, King Street, agent general of the new forces.

Thos. Cotton, the Compter, London.

Hen. Bateson, Shoe Lane.

Lieut.-Col. Jno. White, of the High Court of Justice.

Nich. Greenway.

Major Philip Stephens, at the Angel in Old Fish Street.

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Oct. 21. Navy Office. **66.** Navy Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. We have perused the draft of a new victualling contract, and find several things deserve further consideration. In the first article, the limitation of the time for declaration of what victuals are to be provided is too strict, especially as a considerable weight lies upon it; from 10 to 14 days should be added to each time specified. The warranty does not consist with the mutual and real intent of the contractors, but is expressed in terms not safe. Chatham should be inserted as one of the victualling harbours, and Harwich for petty warrant.

The clause in the 8th article for allowance to be given that all the provisions may not be issued out in kind is inconvenient,

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at least to pass in way of article, whatever connivance upon an extra occasion may be granted, the concession putting liberty into the power of the commanders to visit harbours oftener than may be to the State's advantage.

The employing of the commanders and other officers as the victuallers' instruments, according to the 9th article, will be very prejudicial to the service, as—

1. We find by constant experience that the State's officers, though not under any special interest in those affairs, are very forward to give certificates for victuals and other expenses upon weak and unsatisfactory grounds; and how much more may be expected when their own particular interests are concerned? And yet no examination may be made of their certificates, but the Navy Commissioners absolutely concluded thereby; so that in the issue, an interested party is the main, if not the only, voucher on whose testimony the account is to pass.

2. There will be little or no redress for the seamen by way of complaint, in case of unmeet provisions, where the chief officers are so much concerned, it being well known what powerful influence the commanders have over inferior instruments, which we apprehend the more considerable in regard of a general clamour that the complaints in late years of badness of victuals have met with such obstructions that no redress could be obtained.

3. It will not a little weaken the authority of the commanders in the hearts of the seamen, and will expose themselves to more temptations,—by false musters, and by keeping runaways longer upon the book then they continued in the ships,—than we doubt many of them will be able to resist.

In the 11th article, as the contractors provide for themselves to be secured against such decays as may accrue by any neglect in the State's instruments, there should be an additional proviso securing the State from damage in case provisions be not issued by the victuallers in a reasonable time according to warrant.

We judge the first part of the 17th article inconvenient and unsatisfactory, it binding up the State, as occasions may intervene, to intolerable disadvantages, which in a contract are to be avoided. Lastly, all provision possible should be made to secure the warranting of the provisions according to the contract, as unwholesome provisions hazard men's lives, whereof the complaints have been many and great of late, and other inconveniences thereby accrue to the State; but the present draft is silent in both, as also in regard to the increased price, especially for harbour victuals. [2 *pages.*]

Oct. 21. Chester. **67.** Saml. Windis to Col. Thomson. I am sorry I have offended the Navy Commissioners, but hope that the explanation enclosed will be satisfactory, and that abused innocence may be heard and justice done. I hear they will not sign 13 tickets belonging to the Satisfaction, because the book was pricked by Dermott; many of the men were on shore with me to view the victuals so much complained of, but which Dermott knows were the best that could be

had; I hope my tickets will be signed, and I may receive my money, being sued by Sherwin for a debt in Ireland. [1 *page.*]

Oct. 23. **68.** Warrant by the Admiralty Committee to ——— to receive Matthew Syddall into strict custody, and keep him until further order from the Lord Protector, the Parliament, or Admiralty Committee, for defrauding the State of several great sums of money upon counterfeit warrants. [½ *page.*] *Annexing,*

68. I. *Examination of Matthew Syddall before the Admiralty Committee. Has been employed at the Prize office as assistant to the cashier for the last* 3 *years, at* 15*s. a week. Does not know Mr. Fugill nor Mr. Granger; Tim. Robinson procured him the employment. Paid* 30*l. or* 40*l. upon bills for Fugill. Knows Signor Thomas, alias Gusmond. Never put counterfeit money amongst that of the State that he received. Never knew Ralph Robinson, Watts, nor Gurdian, nor delivered any warrant in Gusmond's company, nor received any share of money paid out, but received two warrants for* 4*l. and* 7*l. Never acquainted Granger, Robinson, or any of the above-named persons of the cheat of* 240*l., and never showed any warrant to anyone out of the office, but to many in it.* 23 *Oct.* 1654. [¾ *page.*]

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1. A form of warrant to the present Treasury Commissioners and to the Treasurer of Exchequer that shall be, to issue money, with his Highness' direction for passing the same under the Great Seal by immediate warrant, read.

2. Order thereon to advise his Highness that this form be pursued.

3. Order to advise a warrant to the Treasury Commissioners to pay the Navy Treasurer 100,000*l.* for the charges of the fleet. *Annexing,*

69. I. *Form of the above warrant to be presented to his Highness.** [1 *page.*]

4. To advise his Highness to issue warrants under the Great Seal to empower the Treasury Commissioners to pay Gualter Frost 10,000*l.* towards the charge of the government of this Commonwealth.

5. Also to empower the Treasury Commissioners to pay the War Treasurers 2 months' pay for the Commonwealth's forces in England, according to the establishment.

6. The clerks of Council to certify from time to time to one of the Treasury Commissioners, being also a member of Council, all orders and warrants for issuing moneys by the Treasury Commissioners presented to his Highness.

* This form follows the type of the warrants presented to the Sovereigns for signature.—ED.

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8. Lord Broghill and other Irish gentlemen attended Council on the importance of pursuing what was formerly presented to his Highness, for constituting Lord Henry Cromwell Lieut.-General of the forces in Ireland, and their desires therein. Lambert to attend his Highness thereon.

10. **70.** Order on Col. Sydenham's presenting a list of 11 French prisoners at Dorchester, on the charge of piracy, that they be set at liberty, on their parole to procure the liberty of as many English prisoners in France. Also that Capt. Johnson, an Englishman, be sent up to Council to answer a charge, being delivered to the sheriff of the county, and from one sheriff to another, and so to the serjeant-at-arms attending Council. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 586–588.]

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The Islip, Liverpool.

71. Wm. Serjant, to the Navy Commissioners. After landing Commissary Fowler, I was ordered by Col. Bryan to cruise for a month, and then return to Lochaber, the channel being clear of pirates. I then went to Carrickfergus for 2 tons of butter, 1,000 pairs of shoes, and some soldiers for Capt. Muttloe at Dunstaffnage; having landed them, I returned to Col. Bryan in good season, for he had never a man-of-war to attend him, as he had sent Capt. Thomson to Skye Island. The Highlanders begin now to be sensible, and come in every day under protection to Col. Bryan.

Whilst at Lochaber, our captain preferred articles against Jno. Stepwell, the master, for misdemeanour, and having been tried by Col. Bryan and a court martial, he was dismissed to avoid a mutiny, and ordered to be put on shore at Liverpool. We victualled, and then took over Capt. Faith and some other officers to Carrickfergus. [1 *page.*]

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72. Petition of Sydney Fotherby, gentleman, to the Protector, for release. Has long lain prisoner in the Tower, without examination or means of proving his innocence; is a younger brother, of mean fortune, and not able to subsist, but sues not for mercy if he be the least faulty. With reference thereon to Council, 7 Aug. 1654. [1 *page.*]

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Order in Council for his release on bail. [*I.* 75, *p.* 588.]

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73. Petition of Wm. Hunt, late rector of Kibworth, co. Leicester, to the Protector. On 14 April 1647, the living was settled by the Committee for plundered ministers on John Yaxley, without hearing my defence. The May following they ordered me to keep possession till Christmas, and the County Committee to send them the causes of my sequestration, which was done; 8 July I was cleared and re-instated, and this confirmed 17 July, but I was ejected by soldiers, on orders indirectly obtained by Yaxley from the Committee for Sequestration. On 1 Sept. I was cleared before that Committee, unless the County Committee showed cause in 3 weeks. They sent in cause, which though it was what I had been cleared from, has kept me out of possession ever since, and I could

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obtain no hearing in Parliament, a potent Leicestershire member declaring against me.

Since the dissolution of Parliament I brought an action at law, and was declared not to stand sequestered, but Mr. Yaxley, on pretence that I am sequestered, has obtained your order to continue in possession. I beg leave to proceed with him at common law, or to have a reference to the member for co. Leicester. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

73. I. *Order in the Council of State alluded to,* 13 *June* 1654. [⅔ *page.*]

Oct. 26. Reference thereon in Council to Cols. Fiennes, Mackworth, and Jones, and Sir A. A. Cooper, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 589.]

Oct. 26. **74.** Petition of Alex. Rowley to the Protector, for relief. I served at my own charge from the beginning of the war, made bold attempts and prosperous exploits, losing 4 horses, goods, and arms, without recompense. Being disabled from service by wounds and imprisonment, I have spent the rest of my time to the benefit of learning, and have served you and your sons, your court, and family with a sphere and books, which cost me 30*l.* and 1¼ years' labour, for which you promised me recompense. With reference thereon to Col. Montague, Wal. Strickland, and Hugh Peters, to report how he should be remunerated, 19 July 1654; their report that he should have 50*l.*, and reference thereon to Council, 5 Sept. 1654. [2 *pp.*]

Oct. 26. Order in Council for payment of the 50*l.* from Council's contingencies. [*I.* 75, *p.* 590.]

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5. **75.** A paper delivered to the Lord President from the Dutch Ambassadors concerning the Elizabeth of Flushing, John Nose, master, taken by the Tiger frigate, and another ship in the Commonwealth's service, and brought into the Thames as a prize, referred to the Admiralty Commissioners, to learn the facts, and report. *Annexing,*

75. I. *Bill of lading of the said ships,* 2 *Oct.* 1654. [⅔ *page.*] *Enclosing,*

75. II. *Deposition of John Nose, master and part owner, before Jno. Daniell, notary of London, that the ship belongs to subjects of the Netherlands, and that she was laden with* 34 *lasts of rye for Bayonne, which he sold there, and then freighted her on behalf of Stephen End, merchant of Bayonne, with oil, whalebone, and cloth for Nich. Godine, at Havre de Grace; also with feathers, rosin, &c., bought with the proceeds of the sale of the rye, intending to dispose of the same on behalf of the owners at Havre de Grace, but was chased and taken by the Tiger and another ship belonging to the Commonwealth, and brought into the Downs.* 10 *Oct.* 1654. [5 *pp.*]

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75. III. *Report of the Prize Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. They find by examination of some of the company of the Elizabeth of Flushing in the Thames, before Capt. Howett, that she was laden at Bayonne by Stephen End, with oil and other goods, belonging part to him, part to the owners, and part to the company, to be delivered at Havre de Grace; being captured while the Admiralty Court was not sitting, they could not examine the matter, but the goods are in a perishable condition.* 30 *Oct.* 1654. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

75. IV. *Report of the Admiralty Committee that the lading is liable to condemnation.* 30 *Oct.* 1654. [*Draft.* 1 *page.*]

8. Order on information of the non-performance of the order of 15 Aug. last, relating to Brandspeth rectory, sequestrated from Dr. Cosins, that Sir Geo. Vane, John Ayerson, mayor of Durham, Thos. Delaval, and Tim. Whittingham, Justices of peace, speak with Mr. Lever, who was ordered to pay her $\frac{1}{5}$ of the rectory with arrears, and bring about an agreement between the parties, or certify. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 589, 590.]

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Navy Office.

76. Navy Commissioners to the Admiralty Committee. In the victualling of the navy by way of commission, we advise:—

1. That special care be taken that timely declarations what number of men are to be victualled be made 1 Sept. yearly for the winter and 1 Nov. for the summer service, and that the declarations reach (as near as possibly can be forseen) the full extent of the action, to prevent the inconvenience and hazard of summer's provision.

2. That seasonable and certain provision be made of money to carry on the affair, so that the Commissioners may not fail to have in cash $\frac{1}{3}$ of what is to be provided in hand, and the rest in 10 monthly equal payments.

3. That 3 able and active men be commissioned to attend this service, with a clerk each, to provide and issue provisions both for sea and harbour, on warrant from the Admiralty Committee or Navy Commissioners, managing the whole for the public interest, with liberty to contract for victuals to be provided at Kinsale, Liverpool, and other remote parts (the employment not bearing the charge of agents), as also for a petty warrant victualling.

4. That one able cashier and a general accountant be appointed by the State, with fit salaries, who are wholly to attend that service, but all other officers relating hereto, both at sea and in harbour, to be appointed by the Commissioners for this undertaking, with suitable salaries. The number to be varied as occasion may require; but these to be constant: viz.

A clerk of the check for stores and issues in the port of London, with 2 able clerks or servants, who is also to examine all expense at sea; a purveyor; a storekeeper for flesh, who may also be a surveyor; a clerk of the cutting house, to look to

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weight and cutting, who may also provide and issue peas, &c.; a messenger, who may also be a hoytaker, and a doorkeeper.

At Chatham.—A storekeeper to receive and issue all remains.

At Portsmouth.—An agent to keep cash and books, a store keeper, and a clerk of the check and issues.

At Dover and Plymouth.—An agent each.

5. That the designed Commissioners have power to impress all ships and vessels, seamen, hoymen, labourers, and artificers needful for carrying on this service, and also have the use of the State's houses and stores.

6. That they take the inspection of all accounts referring to this affair, both at sea and in harbour, and adjust them, and provide that at the end of each 6 months, the balance of the whole account be presented to the Admiralty Commissioners, whereby a general estimate may be made of the expense. At the end of every year, a clear and complete account of all cash, contracts, issues, and remains should be drawn up and presented, whereby the charge of the whole may be exactly discerned.

7. That the money designed to carry on this service be paid to the cashier by the Navy Treasurer upon warrant from the Navy Commissioners, who are to issue their warrants upon certificate from the Commissioners for Victuals.

8. That the cashier pay out the money received by him by direction and on the warrant of the Commissioners for Victualling, to which account of cash, examined and certified by them, the Navy Commissioners are to give allowance, by bill to the Navy Treasurer for clearing the imprests.

9. That the accountant enter daily the actions of all ports in matters appertaining to this affair, so that he may be able to give a charge to all instruments, both at sea and in harbour, and that he and others observe the directions of the Victualling Commissioners.

In the management of the whole of this business, the Commissioners appointed shall communicate their proceedings to the Admiralty Committee and Navy Commissioners, and receive orders from them. [3 *pages.*]

Oct. 30. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. John Clerke, Ed. Cludd, Rich. Lucy, Ed. Horseman, James Philips, Ed. Gill, John Hildesley, Jervas Bennet, and Capt. Adam Baines, the Army Committee, are appointed to issue warrants to the War Treasurers to pay 3 months' assessment of 90,000*l.* a month, ending Dec. 25 next, for the pay of the forces in England, Scotland, and Ireland and their incident charges, and for the navy, according to the Ordinance for continuing the Army Committee and War Treasurers. The War Treasurers to observe their warrants, and the auditors for the treasury accounts to allow them. [*l.* 75, *pp.* 590, 591.]

[Oct.] **77.** Petition of Major Fras. Allen, on behalf of the church at Wanting and Grove, co. Berks, to the Protector. Notwithstanding a Council of State order of 4 June 1653, Mr. Holt, now mem-

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ber for Abingdon, steward of that court, ordered Rob. Clement, his bailiff, to prohibit those congregations from meeting at Wanting town hall. Begs liberty for them to do so. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

77. I. *Statement by Rob. Keate and* 14 *other inhabitants of Wantage, that being straitened for a room to assemble to wait upon the Lord, they petitioned for and obtained Wantage town hall, but a new steward has locked it against them, though they never injured place or person, and though it is only wanted at certain times for courts, and that not on the days when they use it. Wantage,* 15*th day of* 8*th month* 1654. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

Oct. ? **78.** David Buchanne to the Protector. I beg leave to speak with you, having something to impart which very much concerns you, as a testimony of my unlimited obligations. [$\frac{1}{2}$ *page.*]

Oct. ? **79.** Report made by Lambert Godfrey, Wm. Cooper, and Thos. Manton, 3 of the referees, to Council, on a reference of 14 July last. We received papers from Lord Wariston and others, for themselves and certain ministers of the church of Scotland, but Mr. Sharpe, another party named, did not deliver any papers, being not authorised thereto by the church of Scotland, but begged time to consult them, which divers of the referees being unwilling to grant him, they proceeded to debate, though without voting, only the chairman Dr. Owen putting the letter P before those desires of the other party which were passed by the referees; but some particulars were of great concernment, and their passing was matter of controversy.

The proposals of the referees are:—

1. That his Highness should give a commission to able and godly persons who understand that church, with the same power as the former commissioners for plantation of kirks in Scotland had, and that they be authorised to dispose of the maintenance of the church, according to the acts of the uncontroverted assemblies of that church, and the laws of that land before 1651.

2. That a visitation be made,—half the visitors to be chosen by those who are for the public resolutions, the other half by the remonstraters,—for planting and purging ministers and elders, and composing divisions in presbyteries and congregations, being authorised thereto by the synods, in their respective bounds.

3. That there be a general committee of delegates from the several synods, of an equal number of both judgments, without whose consent the synods may not reverse anything done by the visitations, which with the committees are only to continue till the present differences be healed.

These proposals, said to be so passed, are the same verbatim as the desires of the other party, and we dissented then from them for these reasons:—

1. That your reference wishes us to consider the fittest ways of Christian composing of the differences, the consent of both

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parties being had, and not how there might be an authoritative imposing on both by the civil magistrate; which proceeding, in such matters as the proper means of church reformation, we judge very unsuitable to the principles professed by both parties, who claim the divine right of church government, and also to the principles declared by the magistrate at this day for the liberty thereof, held forth by the petitioners, and to the advice lately passed.

2. We think these resolves amount to the exercise of legislative power without Parliament, and that not in the interval, but during the present session, and in so high a matter as erecting a new ecclesiastical jurisdiction, whereby the church government of a whole nation is suspended, if not subverted.

3. If the proposals are to be understood to be subject to ratification by Parliament, we doubt that Parliament would censure so high an entrenchment on their privileges, this being a main one, that all laws should take their rise from the House itself.

1. As to the first proposal, we know not any assemblies that have been uncontroverted, and therefore we know not what may become of the public maintenance, and also we know not the laws of that nation before 1651.

2. To the 2nd and 3rd proposals, we do not think the election of delegates in equal numbers of each judgment to be a scriptural qualification of church officers; though they seem to give the election to the synods, they really give it to the magistrates, by the power of prelimitation of elections, and this is Erastianism. Thus the magistrates may impose prelimitations *in infinitum*, and may in effect qualify all church officers, nay churches themselves. The principle of this precedent would destroy the freedom, if not the being, of churches, as well congregational as synodical.

The 2nd proposal turns all the actings of the visitations into contentions, the numbers being equal on both sides, and will propagate differences, instead of healing them.

3. The third proposal makes the synods set up a jurisdiction above themselves, which is a tyrannical constitution, for it gives a negative voice to a few of the synods or their delegates on the whole synods, and intimates that their delegates will be more faithful in the work of reformation than the synods that choose them.

These proposals show a design to set up a domination by that party over the other, who cannot in conscience join with such exotic powers imposed on the church, so that we fear the breach would be rather widened than healed. [1¾ *page.*]

Oct. ? **80.** Estimate of the cost of 3,000 men's victuals, each man having daily a pound of biscuit and pottle of beer; for 3 days in the week 1 lb. beef and 1 pint peas, and for 4 days ¼ lb. butter and ½ lb. Cheshire cheese daily; total 2,456*l.* 4*s.* 1*d.*; which sum

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the Admiralty Committee judging too high, have reduced it to 2,100*l.*, which is 6*d.* a day per man. [1 *page.*]

Oct. ? **81.** Report of the Admiralty Commissioners to the Lord Protector and Council of State. Being entrusted with the management of the affairs of the Admiralty, &c., and finding ourselves under many pressures and straights, in respect of the service, and knowing no other way of relief, we represent the state of the same to his Highness and Council. We lately presented to his Highness and Council that, by reason of their great and chargeable accounts, the Navy had run into debt above the sum of *l.*, which occasioned exceeding great clamour of many creditors upon them, for payment of the money due according to contract; that since that time, the Navy Treasurer has only received *l.*, which has been mostly applied to the payment of Gen. Blake's fleet, the debts resting unpaid, the creditors' complaints aggravated with the increase of time, and the credit of the State exceedingly impaired.

That the necessary provisions which the former fleets expended, and the now setting forth of the W[est] I[ndia] ships and the present fleet, will so exhaust the naval stores that there will be little remaining for future emergencies, or for supply of the fleet in case of any casualty.

That through failure of former agreements, the State's credit is so far hazarded that the stores cannot be supplied without ready money, as indeed the grand concernment of the State and their present affairs call for.

That if all the debts now remaining were not considered, yet the moneys which weekly arise from the Exchequer will not answer the weekly charge of the service, the very victuals eating up 2,000*l.* of the 8,000*l.*, and the bare fitting and supplying of the fleet for sea expending much more than the residue, though wages, bills of exchange, and press and conduct money require ready payment. At this time of the year especially, the naval wants are greatened, as the ships are usually paid off and works needed.

That many of the ships which are to go forth with this fleet being called in, their men lie upon dead charges, for want of money to pay them off; some ships we cannot call in for the same reason, and this very much retards the dispatch of the service.

That notwithstanding our utmost endeavours to pay these ships, by applying most of the money received thereto, the naval affairs consist of many necessary provisions, which must have an equal regard, as unless we provide on the one hand, we fail on the other.

That sundry other ships of the Channel guard, having been long out and unpaid, cannot be brought in and disposed of, but are forced to stay out in an unfit position, and the charge thereby needlessly augmented.

These things and the exceeding great concernment of the fleet in the present undertaking induce this representation. We have daily wrestled with all manner of difficulties to carry on the service without giving your Highness and Council interruption, but finding the burden itself, in respect of the greatness of the employment, very weighty, the clamour and discontents of great numbers of persons

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incessantly importunate much more irksome, and especially fearing, and not without grounds, that the work in our hands will fail for want of necessary matter to carry it on, we dare do no less than tender the same to his Highness and Council, beseeching them to consider and seasonably provide, so that we may be encouraged to proceed in the service. [*Draft*, 2¾ *pages*.]

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Nov. 2. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

3. Several testimonials from the burgomasters and sheriffs of Middleburg in Zealand, concerning the Sea Horse, taken by an English man-of-war, and goods therein, referred to the Earl of Mulgrave, Fiennes, Jones, Lisle, and Wolsley, to report.

4. Livewell Chapman, committed to the Serjeant-at-arms to have his liberty, on security to render himself when required.

7. The rules and byelaws made by the Court of Aldermen of London for regulating hackney coachmen referred to Jones, Mackworth, Strickland, Sydenham, and Mulgrave, to report. *Annexing*,

1. I. *Order in the Court of Aldermen approving the said rules, and referring them to the Protector and Council for approval.* 17 *October* 1654. [½ *page*.]

10. The report of the Customs' Commissioners touching the Hope of Middleburg read.

11. Order on petition of Henry George Mendez, on behalf of the proprietors of 240 sacks of Spanish wool, and 6 bags of cochineal, imported in the St. Peter, Swan, Hope, and Earl of Holland, that Mackworth, Sydenham, Wolsley, and Cooper send for Dr. Walker, consider what should be done, and report.

12. The petition of Emanuel Neale and other gentlemen referred to Sydenham and Montague, to examine the discovery, and report.

13. That of John Dethick, Nathan Wright, and others read.

14. That of the Governor and Comptroller of Merchants of London trading to the East Indies referred to Mulgrave, Lisle, Mackworth, and Strickland, to report.

15. Theodore Jennings to have half the pay of the clerk of the chapel, until the matter between him and Hugh Griffith be further considered, and Frost to pay him accordingly.

16. To advise a warrant for payment of 3,473*l.* 10*s.* to Fras. Thomson and Hen. Cannon, they having resigned their interest in Windsor little park &c., but not been paid as ordered 30 Aug. last. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 591–593.]

Nov. 6. **2.** Petition of Sarah, widow and executrix of Wm. Bradshaw, to the Protector. The sum of 242*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.*, due to her late husband as harbinger to the late King, was ordered in 1650 by Parliament to be paid out of the late King's goods at Somerset House, but she only received 40*l.* thereof, and 15*l.* out of the late King's revenue, and 5*l.* more by order of a Committee for the King's servants. Her husband

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maintained soldiers for Parliament, and lent money on the public faith, which is not repaid.

Is much in debt, and in danger of prison, is very ancient, and she and her children in great want; begs payment of the balance of 182*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.*, or 40*l.* for the present, to keep her from imprisonment. With reference to Council, recommending a sum to stay the execution and give her subsistence. [1 *page.*]

Nov. 6. Order in Council for payment to her of 50*l.* in lieu of all demands. Approved 28 Nov. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 595, 612; *I.* 105, *p.* 121.]

Nov. 6. 3. Petition of Col. John Berkstead, Lieutenant of the Tower, for himself and the officers there, to the Protector. On 21 Aug. 1654, the sum of 863*l.* 16*s.* 11½*d.* was ordered for them, of which they have only received 410*l.* 2*s.* 6¾*d.* Beg payment of the balance and of their Michaelmas salaries, and a settled course for their future payment. With reference thereon to Jones and Mackworth. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

3. I. *Certificate by Fauconberg of the sum ordered, the sum paid, and the balance due of* 453*l.* 14*s.* 3¾*d.* 1 *Nov.* 1654, [¾ *page.*]

3. II. *Declaration of the salaries due to Berkstead and his officers* 29 *Sept.* 1654; *total* 378*l.* 13*s.* 8¼*d.* [1 *sheet.*]

3. III. *Demands of Berkstead for repairs and for expenses of prisoners; total* 208*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.*; *making together* 587*l.* 4*s.* 7¼*d.* [2 *sheets.*]

3. IV.. V. *Report on the petition that the said sum is due, and that the Treasury Commissioners should have a warrant to pay the salaries quarterly, to avoid trouble.* [2 *copies.*]

3. VI. *List of the Tower establishment and estimate of the incident charges.* [1 *sheet.*]

3. VII. "*The state of the establishment of the Tower of London.*"

	£	s.	d.
The Lieutenant, yearly - -	200	0	0
30 *warders, at* 1*s.* 2*d. a day* -	638	15	0
10 *warders, whose pay as they die or are removed is to go to the Lieutenant* - - -	212	18	4
Gentleman porter, 1*s.* 4*d. a day* -	24	6	8
Minister, 3*s.* 5½*d. a day* - -	63	2	3½
Gaoler, 1*s.* 1¾*d.* „ - -	20	18	2¾
Clockkeeper, 3*d.* „ - -	4	11	3
Pumper, 8*d.* „ - -	12	3	4
Scavenger, 6*d.* „ - -	9	2	6
6 *gunners,* 2*s. each* „ - -	225	0	0
Fire and candles, 1*s.* 9*d.* -	31	18	9
Gentlemen porters and yeomen warders, for liveries and halberds, 6*l.* 7*s.* 11*d. each* - -	262	4	7
	£1,705	0	11¼

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With note that the contingencies, as the wages of workmen, and allowance for the diet, attendance, and boat hire of prisoners, are to be paid by bills drawn and allowed. [¾ *page.*]

3. VIII., IX. *Two sheets of calculations relating thereto.* [4½ *pp.*]

Nov. 6. 4. Petition of Theo. Bolton, citizen of London, to the Protector, for a letter to the Commissioners of Customs for a landwaiter's place, or other employment. Has lived 29 years in one house in London, has been well affected to Parliament and religion, and furnished forth his only brother, Major Chas. Bolton, who after doing good service in England and Ireland, was wounded at the taking of Clanmell, and died. Having lost much during the late wars, and being 63 years old, must beg relief. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

4. I. *Certificate by Geo. Wytham and* 12 *others to the good conduct of Theo. Bolton, linendraper, of St. Peter's parish, Cornhill.* 20 *Jan.* 1647–1648. [1 *page.*]

4. II. *Thomas Lord Fairfax to the Commissioners of Customs, recommending Bolton for employment. Queen Street,* 31 *January* 1648–1649. [½ *page.*]

Nov. 6. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Order that Sir John Wollaston and Fras. Allen send to Council all jewels delivered to them by Col. Rob. Venables. *Annexing,*

5. I. *Warrant by the Protector for their delivery to John Trestean, they being given by Venables in full of all moneys advanced to the public by Eliz. Lee, widow, and they are to take in her security for the money, and Trestean's receipt.* 25 *Sept.* 1654. [⅔ *page.*]

2, 3. Order on the petition of Major Peter Wallis, for himself, Col. Rob. Phaier, and Capt. Joseph Deane, that the Army Committee give warrant to pay him 475*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*. balance in hand of 10,000*l.* ordered 22 April 1652 for payment of recruits for Ireland, to be disposed of by order of the Lord Deputy for contingent charges of the forces.

5. Order on certificate by the Committee for Ely House and the Savoy Hospital, about the Treasury for maimed soldiers, widows, and orphans, for a warrant to the Treasury Commissioners to pay to John Bressy, the treasurer, besides the fines and forfeitures received by the Excise Commissioners, 735*l.* a week; viz., 230*l.* from Goldsmiths' Hall, and 505*l.* from excise moneys in the Exchequer, to be issued on orders from the Ely House and Savoy Committee. *Annexing,*

6. I.–III. *Orders in Parliament for payment for sick and maimed soldiers, &c., viz.,* 6 *Aug.* 1646, 100*l. weekly from Goldsmiths' Hall;* 8 *June* 1649, 130*l. more from Goldsmiths' Hall with arrears, the total payment being* 560*l. a week;*

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13 *June* 1649, *warrant confirmed for the* 230*l.* *from Goldsmiths' Hall.* [3 *papers.*]

6. The petition of Wm. Smith and Sam. Wright, for 80 of the company of the Constant of London, Wm. Harley, captain, sent out as a privateer, which took several prizes that were in the Admiralty Court and adjudged by Isaac Phillips, the setter forth, without any account given to petitioners, referred to the Admiralty judges, to learn the facts, and give relief according to justice. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 594–595.]

Nov. 7. **7.** Petition of the Merchant Adventurers' Company to the Protector. Thanks for your effectual letters recommending us to the States General and Provincial of Holland. We beg your influence with the King of Denmark for payment of our great debt. It was agreed in 1645 between King Christian and Parliament that he should pay 100,000 rix dollars in 3 years, which we agreed to accept, though at great loss of interest; but nothing was paid. It was then agreed that the present King Frederic III. should pay principal and interest [amounting to 100,688 dollars] in 6 years, ended last January, but we have only had one payment. We begged provision for us to be made in the treaty last June, and you referred us to Council, and they to the Treaty Committee, but we understand the treaty is shut up, and no provision made for our debt, and we fear the ministers of that King, who have obtained omission of us in the treaty, will be more negligent of us than ever. We beg "gracious and expressive letters" to the King, the rather that many young men's fortunes depend thereon, and that the occasion of it was their adherence to Parliament against the late King. Also that it may be written at least a month before the mart at Kiel, on 17 Jan. next, that being the day and place of promised payment. [1 *sheet. Also I.* 92, *No.* 266.]

Nov. 8. **8.** Petition of Lewis du Moulin to the Protector, for a patent for payment with arrears of the pension of 100*l.* a year granted by Parliament to his father, Peter du Moulin, and charged on Goldsmiths' Hall, but by a late Ordinance all receipts are brought into the Exchequer. With special reference thereon to Council, 3 Nov. 1654. [1 *page.*]

Nov. 8. Reference thereon to Col. Sydenham, Mr. Strickland, and Col. Mackworth, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 594.] *Annexing,*

9. I. *Report thereon in favour of payment from* 24 *June last, when the pension was stayed.* 17 *Nov.* 1654. [⅔ *page. See also Composition tables,* 8 *June* 1649.]

[Nov. 8.] **10.** Petition of Lady Alice Borlase to the Protector. Has long had a pension of 500 marks a year, of which 4,000*l.* being in arrears, the late Parliament settled on her 4*l.* a week, to be paid from Goldsmiths' Hall, but it is stopped on the order of 24 June last, for bringing all receipts into the Exchequer. Being very sickly and nearly 80 years old, begs an order for her 4*l.* weekly with arrears, from the Exchequer. With reference thereon to Council, 3 Nov. 1654. [1 *page.*]

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Nov. 8. Whitehall. **11.** Reference thereon by Council to Cols. Sydenham and Mackworth and Mr. Strickland, to report. [⅔ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 596.] *Annexing,*

11. I. *Report by them in favour of the petition,* 17 *Nov., and note of agreement thereto,* 12 *Dec.* 1654. [1 *page.*]

Nov. 8. **12.** Petition of Thos. Tudor, prisoner in the Tower, to the Protector. I deeply regret my offence against your Highness, but I dealt with an open heart in my confession last August, and nothing has since come to my knowledge which has not been clearly revealed. I can expect only punishment after so foul an offence, but I am told you are merciful, and I hope you will restore me to liberty, when I will dedicate the rest of my life to the most perfect obedience. I can only preserve my wife and family from utter ruin by following my profession. [1 *page.*]

Nov. 8. Order thereon in Council for his release, on bail in 300*l.* to the Lieutenant of the Tower, to render himself prisoner when required, and meantime to do nothing to the prejudice of his Highness or the Government. [*I.* 75, *p.* 596; *I.* 112, *p.* 72; *I.* 113, *p.* 62.]

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3. The paper signed by his Highness this day, referring it to Council to consider a fit recompense for the Commissioners for removing Obstructions' attendance for 2½ years, referred to Sydenham, Strickland, and Mackworth, to report.

8. Two papers, signed by Emanuel Martines Dorimdo *alias* David Abrabanell, a Hebrew, recommended by his Highness to Council, referred to Fiennes, Lisle, Lambert, Mackworth, and Jones, to report.

9. To request his Highness to issue warrants under the Great Seal to the Treasury Commissioners to pay 2,000*l.* to Walter Frost, to be paid by imprest on account, and issued as directed by his Highness.

10. Martin Noel having advanced 16,000*l.* at instance of the Protector and Council for the fleet and forces, 12,000*l.* to be repaid from the excise, and 4,000*l.* from the 30,000*l.* ordered for Ireland, the 4,000*l.* is to be paid and charged as part of the contingencies for Ireland. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 595, 596.]

Nov. 9. **13.** Petition of John Embree to the Protector. Was appointed in January 1652–3 by a Committee of Parliament, surveyor for the late King's houses, which place he has executed diligently, and spent 12,000*l.* on repairs of Whitehall, St. James's, Somerset House, the Mews, the Parliament House, Courts of Justice at Westminster, Hampton Court and Greenwich, of which 5,000*l.* remains unpaid for materials and poor workmen, and he has had no salary or recompense. Begs payment of the balance to quiet the clamours of the poor people, recompense for the time past, and a fitting salary for the time to come. [1 *page.*]

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Nov. 9. Reference thereon in Council to Strickland, Desborow, Jones, Montague, and Mackworth, and Sir Gilb. Pickering, to examine the account, enquire what should be allowed him, and how it may best be paid, and report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 598.]

Nov. 9. **14.** Report that all workmen on the State's account be discharged next Saturday, and that thenceforth Embree be no further charged with repairs of Whitehall, Hampton Court, or the Mews.

That the surveyor bring in his accounts for repairs hitherto. That he be allowed 300*l.* a year as surveyor for the last 3 years and henceforth, and his fee of 38*l.* 10*s.* as serjeant plumber from 1642.

That on his demand for disbursements in the late King's time, 6,000*l.* be allowed him out of the ½ of all discoveries he shall make.

That a Committee consider how the rest of the State's houses may be repaired in the most frugal way, and report. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

15. I. *Bill of Embree for disbursements about the houses in the late King's time, and for his* 17 *years' fee as serjeant plumber from* 1638 *to* 1655, *and his* 12 *years' loss of the profits of his place. Total* 11,977*l.* 10*s.*, *of which he has received* 642*l.* [⅔ *page.*]

Nov. 9. **16.** Petition of Clement Kinnersley, wardrobe keeper, to the Protector. I have done my best service in gathering the late King's goods, and employing them to furnish Whitehall. But Legg's scandalous assertions obstruct my credit and hinder the service, many thinking the employment should be his, though he has proved nothing against me, and is ill affected. A full hearing has often been promised, as seen by a petition and orders annexed. I have served 6 months without provision for office, diet, or employment, and Legg still keeps his office and 300*l.* a year, settled on him by the late Council of State, though the late King's patent only gave him 32*l.* I beg a full hearing. With reference thereon, signed, to Sir G. Pickering, Mr. Strickland, and Col. Jones, to call the petitioner and Mr. Legg before them, examine the case and certify, 31 Aug. 1654. Also later note [by Kinnersley] that nothing has been done thereon. [1 *sheet.*] *Annexing,*

16. I. *Petition of Clement Kinnersley, chief officer to the late King's wardrobe of beds, to the Protector. I have suffered much by the plots of Wm. Legg and others, who by fraud have got my employment and* 300*l. a year settled on me for it. Two years ago, I petitioned the Council of State, and they appointed a Committee who drew up a report which was presented in Dec.* 1652, *but not received, because an information was given against Legg for sending arms and ammunition for* 300 *men to the late King. The Council then appointed another Committee, and Mr. Say, who was in the chair, has all the papers, which I desire may be called for. I beg to be paid what is annexed, or further examination. With reference thereon*

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to Council 27 *Jan.* 1653–4 ; *and their order* 21 *Feb.* 1653–4 *to Kinnersley to furnish the lodgings in Whitehall set forth for his Highness' use according to instructions from her Highness the lady Cromwell ; and the claims put in by him and Mr. Legg to the wardrobe will be determined in due time.* [1 *page.*]

Nov. 9. Reference thereon in Council to Col. Sydenham and Mr. Strickland, to hear both parties as to their title to the place, consider the petitioner's charges, and what allowance he should have, and report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 598.]

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2. The petition of Rich. Woolaston, and an annexed certificate of 472*l.* due to him as master gunner of England, read, but no order given thereon.

3. The petition of Wm. Sadlington, and his Highness' warrant allowing him and his family to pass from France to England, and remain in safety here, referred to Mulgrave, Strickland, Desborow, and Mackworth, to send for Robert Hammond of London, who arrested the petitioner, and any others, and report.

8. The petition of Rich. Ford and other merchants of London, concerning a quantity of oil and whale fins, for importation of which they had given an order on a licence from his Highness and Council, assigned to them by Major Harris, which proved counterfeit, read, but no order made.

10. The Army Committee to issue warrants for a month's pay of such officers as are not in the establishment, out of the 30,000*l.* ordered for special service. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 597, 598.]

Nov. 9. Whitehall. Council to Humphrey Walcot, Samuel and Rich. Cust, and Rob. Yarborough, justices of peace for co. Lincoln. We are informed [by petition of Wm. Kiffin and 2 others], that Rob. Massey and Thomas and Israel Cave, being desired by some members of a church to meet them at a religious exercise at Gedney, in Holland, co. Lincoln, on Oct. 1, whilst going through Holbech on the way thither, were apprehended by the constable, and brought before Justice Hobson. That he tried to engage them to leave their meetings, offering them release, but on their refusal, issued a warrant of very unusual form to commit them to Lincoln Goal.

These proceedings seeming very strange, if the said persons conducted themselves inoffensively, we desire you to examine the truth of the matter, and to take order for their release, if it may be done according to law, and to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 597.]

Nov. 15. **17.** Petition of Thos. Colchester, one of the under ushers of the Exchequer, to the Protector and Council. Obtained a Council order of 18 Aug. 1653 that on payment of 53*l.* 5*s.* 0½*d.* chantry rents collected in co. Hants, to Capt. Thos. Fauconberg, receiver-general, 25*l.* should be allowed him, on a former order of the Revenue Committee, but by want of clearness of expression, it was not allowed him. Begs

1654. another order to Capt. Fauconberg for defalcation thereof. [¾ *page.*] *Annexing,*

17. I. *Receipt by Thos. Fauconberg of* 28*l.* 5*s. from Thos. Colchester,* 25*l. being allowed for arrears of his salary of* 10*l. a year.* 20 *Aug.* 1653. [1 *page. certified copy.*]

17. II. *Request by Fauconberg for direction as to allowing the said* 25*l., subscribed under a copy of the order of the Council of State of* 18 *Aug.* 1653. 2 *June* 1654. [1 *page.*]

Nov. 15. Order in Council granting the petition. Signed 16 Nov. [*I.* 75. *pp.* 601, 605.]

Nov. 15. Note of a petition referred to the Committee for petitions, from Fitzjames Fisher, for money to defray the charge of some books of his in hand, or a pension, in consideration of his services. Order in Council for 100*l.* to be paid him from Council's contingencies. [*I.* 92, *No.* 222 ; *I.* 75, *p.* 600.]

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2–3. Order to advise a warrant for 12,000*l.* to Mr. Frost, to be by him paid to John Maidstone, for expenses of his Highness' household.

4. Order to reply to Mr. Lenthall's representation for an allowance as one of the 6 clerks in Chancery, since the 6 are by an Ordinance of his Highness reduced to 3 chief clerks, that the Ordinance is now before Parliament, whose resolution may be shortly expected, and then his desire shall be considered.

5. Order on petition of Sir Gerard Fleetwood, that the Lieutenant of the Tower, on Nov. 21, bring into the Court of Common Pleas at Westminster Ant. Jackson, prisoner in the Tower, to give testimony at a trial between the petitioner, plaintiff, and Wm. Tirringham, defendant, and then to return to prison.

7. **18.** The petition of John Rousseau, for the French Greenland Company, for release of the Pelican, which, with her lading of Greenland oil and whale fins, was lately seized by a ship of this Commonwealth, notwithstanding a pass from Greenland to Havre de Grace, referred to the Admiralty Commissioners, to report.

9. The petition of Ed. Annesley, storekeeper and proofmaster in the Armoury Office, Tower, referred to the Admiralty Commissioners, to report.

10. Mackworth's report touching the orders and byelaws concerning hackney coachmen to be considered next sitting.

12. Order on a report from the Army Committee, and other papers concerning Col. Carter's disbursements for Conway garrison, that the 504*l.* 12*s.* due to him should be paid from the contingencies of the army. Approved 28 Nov. [*I.* 78, *pp.* 598–600.] *Annexing,*

19. I. *Army Committee to Capt. Ball, Capt. Ge. Barber, Dan. Lloyd, John Kenniston, and Lieut. Ralph Weld, Wrexham,*

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co. Denbigh. We wish you to examine Col. Carter's account, whether his disbursements were from his own money; whether the provisions were spent by officers and soldiers; or whether any were lost or spoiled, and if so, by what means. Also whether he received any money from co. Carnarvon towards the said charges. 4 *April* 1654. [*Copy.* 1⅔ *pp.*]

19. II. *Reply of the said gentlemen that Carter did expend his own money, and was very instrumental in subduing insurrections and preserving those countries in obedience. That he only spent* 57*l.* 10*s. worth of provisions. That what was spoiled cannot be known, the commissary therefor being since dead in Ireland, but the remainder was delivered to Capt. Pooley and Ensign Aspinall,* 29 *Aug.* 1654. [*Copy.* 1⅔ *pp.*]

19. III. *Order in the Army Committee, transmitting the said papers to Council,* 27 *Oct.* 1654. [1 *page.*]

Nov. 16. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. The Army Committee to issue warrants to the War Treasurers to pay to Col. James Heane and other army colonels, out of whose regiments any officers or soldiers are to be drawn for special service, what will complete their pay, according to the army establishment, till Nov. 20. Approved 16 Nov.

5. To advise his Highness to command the colonels and other officers of the foot regiments from which any officers or soldiers are to be drawn for special service, to draw them out and deliver them to the officers employed on that service next Monday. Approved 16 Nov.

6. Order on report to advise his Highness to issue a warrant to pay 500*l.* each to Sir Wm. Roberts, Hen. Pitts, John Parker, Rob. Aldworth, Jas. Berners, and Fras. Mussenden, Commissioners for removing Obstructions, for 2½ years' salary. Approved 16 Nov.

9. To advise that Granger, prisoner at Newgate for counterfeiting debentures, be released on giving 5,000*l.* bail, and sufficient security to do nothing of the sort again, and to faithfully perform what instructions he shall receive from the Admiralty Committee; or on his failure, to render himself prisoner to the keeper of Newgate within 5 days after summons. The Admiralty Committee to give him instructions to the purport of what was communicated to Council by Gen. Desborow. Approved 28 Nov.

10. Approval by the Protector of 13 orders and Ordinances, 17 Oct.–16 Nov. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 603–605.]

Nov. 16. **20.** Examination of Mat. Siddall before Gen. Desborow and Cols. Clerke and Kelsey. Denies his having any hand in counterfeiting warrants, or being in Granger's conspiracy, or receiving any share of the money that the State has been cheated of by Granger and his participants. [¼ *page.*]

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Nov. 16. **21.** Like examination of Mat. Siddall. Being brought face to face with Granger, he said he did not know him, although he had seen him several times in Gusman's company at the Half Moon tavern in Cheapside, but never received a penny of him. Might have shown Granger some papers, but never left any warrants with him. Discoursed with Gusman about how advantage might be made by warrants. Was in the Half Moon tavern with Granger last March, but does not remember the discourse, and saw no money. Became acquainted with Granger by Gusman's means, and they first met at the Fountain tavern, in Fenchurch Street, and it might have been at the Fountain or Mitre tavern that he showed Granger the papers. They spent 2*s.* at the Half Moon. Wrote a letter to Granger since his imprisonment, wondering he should accuse him, but does not remember the contents. Never received any money of Painter nor of John Granger under that name, nor of Bateson, although he knows him. [1½ *pp.*]

Nov. 16. **22.** Examination of Abraham Granger. Knows some besides himself that have dealt in Public faith bills, viz., those that formerly acted and found security. Beleives that ⅘ of the Public faith bills are counterfeited, and that ⅔ of the claims are false. A week before he was taken, met Barnes and Steed, who had some design upon the Custom House, but told him it was to be done by a seal, and when they had got it, he should hear further; but being taken, has not since heard, and does not know where they lodge. Knows Siddall, who was a partner with him in divers cheats; besides the 33*l.*, Painter paid Siddall 10*l.*, and other of the participants paid him divers sums. Barnes had a scar on the left side of his face, was a tall man, grisly, with black hair, and sometimes wore a black patch on the scar. [1 *page.*]

Nov. 18. **23.** Reference by the Admiralty Committee to Rich. Hutchinson, Navy Treasurer, of the petition of Capt. Wm. Batten to the Protector, for payment of 161*l.* 6*s.* 3*d.* due to him as his share on the appraisement of the Constant Warwick, and stopped in the treasurer's hands by order of the Navy Committee. With his report that he had order to pay the Earl of Warwick one half part amounting to 1,040*l.* 10*s.* and other persons named sums mentioned, and that Capt. Batten being under revolt from the Parliament, he had no order to pay his share amounting to 130*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.* [1 *page.*]

Nov. 20. **24.** List of eleven assignments of debentures to Rich. Rogers, left with Mr. Tibbs. Total value 908*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.* [½ *page.*]

Nov. 21. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. To advise warrants to pay 500*l.* to Col. Jas. Heane for former service, he being now engaged on special service, and 500*l.* to Col. Rob. Venables, as advance for 60 reformadoes, above the 40 named in the establishment, and also advance money to ministers, physicians, and surgeons engaged in that service.

2. The Army Committee to issue warrants to pay 5*l.* a piece for the horses of the troop ordered on a special service.

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4. The order of 2 Sept. last, made on petition of Henry Lord Herbert, discharging him from an order of the Committee for removing obstructions, for him to pay a fee farm rent of 88*l.* 3*s.* 10*d.* on lands purchased by Geo. Bachelor and Edw. Southes, is not to extend to the discharge of his lands from a like rent of 95*l.* on Kendal Park, Westmoreland, purchased by John Goodwin, and not mentioned in his petition. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 606, 607.]

Nov. 23. **25.** Petition of Sir John Price to the Protector and Council. I was elected by co. Montgomery to serve in this Parliament, and returned by the sheriff; but coming to London, I find my name omitted in a list returned to the Crown office of members approved by you, and am told that objections are made against me as unfit to serve as member. From these allegations I have already cleared myself, and proved my affection by service in Scotland and at Worcester fight, &c., which the late Parliament noticing, took off the sequestration of my estate. Though I am within the meaning of the instrument of Government, I have forborne for modesty to go to the House, lest I should offend you; but having signed the recognition, I beg admission, that my county may not be deprived of a member. [1 *page.*]

[Nov. 24.] **26.** Petition of Jos. Sheldon, prisoner to the serjeant-at-arms, to the Protector and Council, for release, having been 21 weeks prisoner [*see* 4 *Aug., suprà*]. Sent to Col. Jones by Col. Mackworth. [1 *page.*]

[Nov. 24.] **27.** Like petition to Secretary Thurloe, to the same effect. [1 *page.*]

Nov. 24. Order in Council that the serjeant-at-arms liberate him on bail in 300*l.* Approved 28 Nov. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 607, 609.]

Nov. 24. **28.** Petition of Jas. Potter, minister, to the Protector and Council. Was 7 years sequestrated from Binfield rectory, co. Berks, by the Committee for Plundered Ministers, for words pretended to be preached many years before; has lived inoffensively in the parish ever since, confident in his innocency, but having a free presentation to another place, begs to be rendered capable for the work of the ministry there. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

28. I. *Certificate by Dr. John Owen and 5 others to his conformity to government since his sequestration.* [½ *page.*]

Nov. 24. Order thereon that the Commissioners for approbation of public preachers (who are not to admit sequestered ministers without satisfaction of their conformity) try Potter's fitness for preaching, and on their satisfaction therein, admit him, the Protector and Council being satisfied as to his conformity. Approved 28 Nov. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 607, 608.]

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Nov. 24. **29.** Petition of Jas. Carey, prisoner in Exeter gaol, to the Protector. Was bred in the Romish religion, took orders as a secular priest, and officiated in Ireland, whence he withdrew a year ago, on a proclamation. Being in France, was convinced of the errors of popery, and bore witness against it, which enraged some to lie in wait for his life. Fled to some English merchants in Morlaix, who succoured him, and gave him a passage and a certificate, some of them being now in Exeter, Dartmouth and Plymouth.

In May last, landed at Dartmouth, and went to the mayor, begging to take the oath of abjuration, but this was denied, and he sent to gaol, where he remained till last assizes, when he heartily and sincerely took the oath before Baron Thorpe, and satisfied some gentlemen and ministers in Exeter of his conversion. Yet he is still in prison, having no subsistence, nor friends to help him. Begs liberty and protection, that he may show his detestation of his former wicked practice, and draw others out of those snares. [1 *page.*]

Nov. 24. **30.** Order thereon in Council that Baron Thorpe, one of the judges at the Western Circuit assizes, state the fact, and why he is continued prisoner. [¾ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 608.] *Annexing,*

31. I. *Report by Baron Fras. Thorpe, confirming the statements of the petition, and adding that he could not bail Carey, who is an Irishman born, because his offence, by the statute of* 27 *Eliz., is treason, and the oath of supremacy therein named is taken away, and nothing put in its place.* 30 *Nov.* 1654. [¾ *page.*]

31. II. *Examination of Jas. Carey before Art. Upton, Thos. Boone, and John Blackmore, justices of peace for co. Devon, to the same effect as his petition, adding that he was* 11 *years a student at Louvaine, and came over to England to join the Protestant church.* 8 *Aug.* 1654. [1 *page.*]

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4. The name of Charles George Cock, Admiralty judge, to be added to the warrant of 31 Aug. last, for payment of salary to the other 2 judges, Drs. Clerke and Godolphin.

6. The Army Commissioners to issue warrants to the War Treasurers, to pay out of the 30,000*l.* set apart by Ordinance for the forces on special service, such moneys weekly to the officers and soldiers engaged therein as shall fall due, according to the annexed establishment, as long as they shall be received on shipboard. The pay to begin on Nov. 20.

7. The Barons of Exchequer to speak with Council at Whitehall, on the business of indemnity next Tuesday.

8. To advise his Highness,—on Jones' report from the Committee on John Embree's petition, that they are arranging for his account and the future management of repairs, and think that 5,000*l.* should be brought into the Council's contingencies, to be issued to him from time to time,—to grant warrants accordingly. Approved 28 Nov.

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10. To give notice to the members that Council will sit at 4 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 607–609.]

Nov. 28. **32.** Petition of Wm. Drakeford and Wm. Standen, merchants of London, to Council. We had letters of marque to send out the Scout, and the captain, Wm. Pearse, took the Sea Horse, laden with train oil, linen, and tobacco, belonging to Frenchmen, and bound for Rouen; but on complaint made by the skipper to the Dutch ambassadors, you sent for Pearse, and imprisoned him in Lambeth House, and all his men are prisoners with Vice-Admiral Lawson, whereby we are exceeding sufferers. We beg you to hear the case, or refer it to the Admiralty Court, and meanwhile to release the men and the Sea Horse, now under restraint. [¾ *page.*]

Nov. 28. Order thereon on report from the Committee on the case, that the Sea Horse of Zealand, seized at sea, on her way from the Low Countries by Capt. Pearse, and secured at Dover by order of Council, be restored to the master, Paul Andrea, and allowed to proceed with her lading, there being no cause for the seizure. [*I.* 75, *p.* 610.]

Nov. 28. **33.** Petition of Capt. Richard or Roger Bamford to the Protector, for payment of the 40*l.* arrears due to him as surveyor of delinquents' estates from some other treasury than Drury House, as there is no money there. Has suffered wounds, imprisonments, and loss in the service, and is going on this sea design as captain in Col. Jas. Heane's regiment. [1 *page.*]

Nov. 28. Order in Council referring it to Montague, Sydenham, and Strickland, to call for the Drury House treasurer if needful, and report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 611.]

Nov. 28. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Approval by the Protector of 5 orders and Ordinances named. 15–24 Nov.

2. The petition of Wm. Denny and Mary, his wife, referred to Mulgrave, Wolsley, and Jones, to report.

3. That of Sir Peter Richaut's sons referred to Montague, Fiennes, Mulgrave, and Jones, to report.

4. The report on the case of Wm. Hunt, late incumbent of Kibworth Rectory, co. Leicester, to be considered on Thursday.

5. The petition of Thos. Stephenson of Whitgift, co. York, referred to Mulgrave, Mackworth, Fiennes, Wolsley, and Jones, to report.

8. Strickland, Jones, and Wolsley to consider fit rooms for the Admiralty Commissioners instead of part of Lord Richard [Cromwell's] lodgings, now used by them, and to order the accommodating of the new rooms, so that the old ones may be used by Lord Richard.

9. A letter to the Admiralty at Dunkirk, prepared by Mr. Jessop, on petition of Sam. Leaver and company, concerning the Patience, stayed at Ostend, to be transmitted to Dr. Walker, who is to return it with his opinion.

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10. On a paper signed by Sir Oliver Fleming, and Edw. Tyton, and Ant. Compton, 2 of the serjeant's deputies,—for payment of 20*s.* for coaches, with 6 horses each, 10*s.* for those with 4, and 5*s.* for those with 2, for reception of Dutch, French, and Portugal ambassadors, March 1653–4, total, 123*l.* 10*s.*, besides Mr. Beale the trumpeter, 120 footmen of his Highness, and 84 others—that the 123*l.* 10*s.* be paid from Council's contingencies to Tyton and Compton, who are to pay the coachmen. Approved 2 Dec.

11. Three warrants for payment of money, 6–16 Nov.; signed. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 610–612.]

Nov. 28. Plymouth.

34. J. Yorke to Wm. Maling, secretary to the Protector, Whitehall. Yesterday I spoke with a Frenchman, who showed a letter from the governor of Honfleur, which relates that his correspondent at Marseilles states that Gen. Blake has taken 30 sail of Turks, belonging to Tripoly, with their prizes, which seems to gain the better credency in regard of our peace with Algiers, but my sense is rather the French fleet for Naples. Some Brest men-of-war have taken 10 sail, whereof 4 belong to London and the others to Apsham, Plymouth, and Bristol. I think if our ships were to exercise more diligence in the Channel, our merchantmen would not be captured by pickeroons of 6 or 8 guns. [1 *page.*]

Nov. 28. Weymouth.

35. Jno. Allen, senr., storekeeper, to Jno. Clerke and Thos. Kelsey, Army Commissioners, Whitehall. I send an account of provisions in the stores and at the castle. Mr. Newberry can give an account of those there prior to my taking charge in Nov. last. I have endured many losses and received many wounds in the service, as known to Colonels Sydenham and Heane, under whom I served as captain, and have not received any pay or free quarter for 3 years, but always been upon my own charge; my losses amount to 1,000*l.*, including 13 butts of sack, part of 3 ships, 9 feather beds and bedding, and all my household stuff, and I was kept out of my lands for 3 years. Col. Legg, seeing to what poverty I was brought, procured me this place unsolicited. I hope consideration. [1 *page.*] *Enclosing,*

35. I. *Account of stores alluded to.* [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

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36. Petition of Wm. Johnson, merchant of Newcastle-on-Tyne, to Council. Has bought by auction from the Prize Commissioners there 23 iron and 3 brass guns, taken from the Dutch, for export, for which he begs a warrant. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*] *Annexing,*

36. I. *Inventory of the said guns.* [2 *pages.*]

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37. Reference thereon to the Admiralty Committee, who, if they do not grant the licence, are to consider whether the guns should be bought for the State. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 612.] *Annexing,*

37. I. *Valuation of the guns by Johnson, at* 12*s.* 8*d. per cwt. for the iron guns,* 4*l. the brass; he will sell shot for the guns at* 2*s. per cwt. below the ordinary price.* 11 *Jan.* 1654–5. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

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37. II. *Prize Commissioners to the Admiralty Commissioners. We sold the 2 brass guns at Newcastle for* 181*l.* 19 *Jan.* 1654–5. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

Nov. 30. **38.** Petition of Col. Ant. Weldon to Council, for a pass beyond seas, to seek his livelihood in his profession as a soldier. Has spent his whole fortune for the public interest; was sent to the relief of Duncannon, and was the first officer who was imprisoned in Ireland by Lord Ormond for the Parliament's cause; has never been blemished in repute, and has had the Parliament's acknowledgment of his services, but all his arrears are still due. Petitioned the Protector 4 months ago for employment for a subsistence, but his petition being neither read nor answered, he is wholly discouraged. [1 *page.*]

Nov. 30. Order for a pass, as requested. [*I.* 75, *p.* 613; *I.* 112, *p.* 76; *I.* 113, *p.* 69.]

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2. Note that the report on the case of Wm. Hunt, rector of Kibworth, was read. *Annexing,*

39. I. *Report alluded to, detailing the case* [*see* 26 *Oct. suprà*]. *Hunt was restored on payment of* 150*l. composition to the County Committee, but the inhabitants asked for Yaxley, supposing Hunt to be under sequestration. Hunt having cleared himself of delinquency both in cos. Leicester and Oxford, has obtained a verdict at law against Yaxley, but is stayed in his proceedings by a Council of State order of* 13 *June* 1654, *confirming Yaxley in the rectory. Query, whether that order shall be discharged.* 17 *Nov.* 1654. [*Draft,* $1\frac{2}{3}$ *pages.*]

3. An Ordinance of 2 Sept. 1654, to pay 9,717*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.*, out of Scotch fines, to the creditors and servants of the late King, read and approved.

5. The rules, directions, and byelaws, made by the Court of Aldermen of London, by virtue of the late Ordinance for regulation of hackney coaches within and near the city, read and approved.

6. Several bills presented this day by John Maidstone, from tradesmen and others, concerning the first furniture of Whitehall and the Mews, amounting to 6,117*l.* 14*s.* $6\frac{1}{2}$*d.*, referred to Jones, Strickland, and Mackworth, to examine and report.

7, 8. **40.** Thos. Hodges and 7 others named, having been directed to execute the laws for encopsing part of Dean Forest, Major John Wade is empowered to direct the work for bounding the park of the said forest, the money for defraying the charges to be paid by the Admiralty Committee from Navy money, or the profits of the ironworks in the forest. Approved 2 Dec.

9. The report concerning Capt. Sadlington's arrest by Mr. Hammond, after his Highness' engagement that on his coming in he should enjoy safety, to be considered the next sitting.

10. Fiennes, Cooper, Mackworth, Jones, and Wolsley, to con-

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sider the arrears due to Mr. Byshe and the rest of the heralds, and report.

11. The warrants for pay of the Council officers, and of Rich. Scutt, usher, for fuel, stationery, &c., to be signed.

12. To advise that Rob. Wadeson, recommended by Gen. Venables, be appointed paymaster for the forces on special service. Approved 2 Dec.

13. A fourth of the pay of the officers and soldiers listed under Gen. Venables for special service to be paid every 4 months, on their assignations, signed by themselves and their general or major-general, to begin on expiration of the month's pay which they will receive on coming on shipboard. Approved 2 Dec.

14. Defalcations for their clothes and victuals, to be made only at such rates as would be paid in England. Approved 2 Dec.

15. A month's pay to be given when they come on shipboard. Approved 2 Dec.

16. All balance of moneys due to them to be paid on their return. Approved 2 December.

17. The Ordnance officers to deliver to them, in addition to the stores already ordered,—

500 long pikes.
1,000 matchlock muskets.
50 saddles and other horse furniture.
5 tons of match.
1 ton small shot.
1 „ iron.
4 small drakes.
50 fowling pieces.

Approved 2 Dec. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 612–615.]

Nov. ? **41.** And. Duke to Capt. John Pearse, late in the fleet, now at [Wm.] Chamberlain's, merchant, Cannon Street. Private affairs. My cousin Johnson, at the Blue Boy, Friday Street, will pay you money for me; I want a suit, riding coat, bible, pair of silver button for my breeches, and a cap like yours, between this and Christmas. [1⅔ *pages.*]

Nov. 30. St. Ives. **42.** And. Duke to Capt. John Pearse, at Mr. Chamberlain's, Cannon Street. My brother has paid 10*l.* to my cousin, Rich. Johnson. Pray receive it of him, and have those things I wrote you about bought, which I expect when you come at Christmas. [1 *page.*]

Dec. 2. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Approval by the Protector of 10 orders and Ordinances. 2 Sept.–30 Nov. 1654.

2, 3. The Army Committee to order the Treasurers-at-war to send, out of the 30,000*l.* designed for special service, 17,000*l.* to Portsmouth, to be issued on warrants of Maj.-Gen. Desborow, for pay and contingencies of the forces, and Desborow to issue the said warrants.

4. Order on report on the petition of Capt. Rich. Bamford,—that

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39*l.* is due to him as salary as a surveyor of delinquents' lands, for payment whereof the Trustees of the Treasury at Drury House have issued a warrant,—to advise his Highness that as Bamford is on the private expedition with Gen. Venables, he would issue a warrant under the Great Seal for his payment. *Annexing,*

43. I. *Report alluded to that* 39*l. due to him should be paid from the Exchequer, on his delivering up his warrant on the Drury House treasurer.* [1 *page.*]

5. The troop of 100 horsemen for the special service to be reduced to 60 besides officers.

6. The Ordinance of last Thursday for a month's pay to the officers and soldiers on special service under Gen. Venables to be given them on their embarkation reversed, as provision is made in another way by an Ordinance of to-day.

8. Order on a report from the Admiralty Commissioners on John Rousseau's petition, on behalf of the French Greenland Company,—for release of the Pelican, seized by ships in the service, in spite of a pass,—that Council see no reason for the release, but refer the case to the Admiralty judges, to proceed according to law; Dr. Walker to take care thereof. *Annexing,*

44. I. *Report alluded to, showing that the pass was granted, but at the time of surprisal, was not on the ship, but in the hands of Lucas Lucie, merchant of London, who would not say whether this was the only voyage made by the ship since the date of the pass,* 27 *Nov.* 1654. [¾ *page.*]

9. **45.** Order that the Admiralty Committee issue their warrant to the Ordnance officers for a large addition of tools, stores, &c., specified, for the forces intended for special service under Gen. Venables. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 616–618.]

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46. G. Langbairn to [Jos.] Williamson, Queen's College, Oxford. Go to the public library and inquire for an 8vo. MS. of Sir Kenelm Digby, No. 33, and transcribe and continue the enclosed about a leaf, beginning the second side of leaf 32, on particular monastic religions. I want you and the rest of your rank to think of some verses to consecrate to the memory of Mr. Selden. [1 *page.*]

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47. Petition of Geo. Clarke to the Protector and Council. Bought from John Gould, merchant, a case of silks, which came to the Custom House, London, and oath was made that they came overland from Naples to Dunkirk, and were shipped in an English vessel; the case could not then be entered because Gould was out of town, and before his return, the goods were taken out of the ship without petitioner's knowledge, and thus were seized on by an officer. Begs their restoration on payment of customs. With note of delivery of the petition to Mr. Jessop, clerk of the Council. [1 *page.*] *Annexing,*

47. I., II., III. *Affidavits of John Gould, Joseph Safford, his servant, and Geo. Clarke, to the facts named in the above petition.* [3 *scraps.*]

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Dec. 5. Reference thereon to the Commissioners for regulating Customs, who are to favour the petitioner, as being reported an honest man, and give him speedy dispatch. [*I.* 75, *p.* 619.]

Dec. 5. **48.** Petition of the mayor and aldermen and well-affected of Macclesfield, co. Chester, and of Ralph Stringer, their preacher, to the Protector. King James granted them 50*l.* a year from the county revenue for a learned preacher, the people being numerous and generally very poor, which was paid till 1653. Beg a warrant for 2 years' arrears due 29 Sept. last, and confirmation of payment to Stringer and his successors out of the copyhold rents in Macclesfield forest. With reference thereon, 1 Dec., to Council. [½ *page.*] *Annexing,*

48. I. *Certificate by Wm. Chislett, deputy auditor, of the payment of the said allowance, and of its grant* 17 *Jan.* 1605–6, *because there being few incumbents men of learning, the people were seduced from their duty by priests. Also of its confirmation by Charles Prince of Wales, as Earl of Chester, in* 1621. *It was paid to Phil. Holland, preacher, till* 1643 *when he deserted, and Stringer was appointed to succeed him, and it was paid to him till* 1652. 27 *Dec.* 1653. [½ *page.*]

48. II. *Certificate by Thos. Langley of Middlewich, and* 7 *other ministers of Cheshire, to the painful preaching, sound doctrine, and godly life of Ralph Stringer.* 7 *Oct.* 1654. [½ *page.*]

Dec. 5. Whitehall. **49.** Reference of the above petition in Council to Cols. Mackworth and Jones, to report. Also order for Col. Montague and Mr. Strickland to be added to the Committee, 11 Jan. 1654–5. [½ *page. Also I.* 75, *p.* 620.] *Annexing,*

49. I. *Certificate of the Committee for approbation of public preachers in favour of Stringer.* 7 *Feb.* 1654–5. [1 *page.*]

49. II. *Report of the Committee in his case, that he should be allowed the* 50*l.*, *but instead of its being paid from the county revenue, it should be paid by the trustees for maintenance of preaching ministers.* 17 *Feb.* 1654–5. [1 *page.*]

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2. Mackworth and Jones to advise with some of the judges about the business of Capt. Sadlington, and to report.

4. The petition of the late train of artillery, for assignment of lands of 130*l.* a year value out of delinquents' estates, instead of the hare warren at Hampton Court, for their arrears, read.

5. That of Matthew Young, of Stratford, co. Essex, concerning a quantity of oats delivered by the late Thos. Manley for the Parliament, in 1642, read.

6. Jones and Lambert to attend his Highness about a report from the Admiralty Commissioners, concerning the number of men to be employed on next summer's guard at sea.

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9. The report on the petition of Thos. Stephenson, of Whitgift, co. York, concerning banks for preservation of marsh land there, referred to the Treasury Commissioners, to inquire, and report. *Annexing,*

50. I. *Report alluded to by Mulgrave, Fiennes, and Lambert, that the banks were formerly maintained from revenues of the late King since sold, and therefore the case should be referred to the Treasury Commissioners.* 30 *Nov.* 1654. [½ *page.*]

10. On Mackworth's report from the Committee on the papers of Emanuel Martyns Dorindo, *alias* David Abrabanell, a Hebrew, Council saw no cause to make any order.

12. The petition of John Ramsey and Rob. Allum, freighters of the Hannah of Whitby, co. York, and of Jonas Grange, master, for the owners, referred to the Commissioners for the French treaty.

13. To consider the business of the Jersey Government at 4 next Thursday; Council to be summoned.

14. The petition and papers of Henry Robinson of London, concerning a debt contracted in 1620 at Constantinople, referred to the Commissioners for the French treaty, to speak with the petitioner, and consider what is fit to be done. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 619–621.]

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51. Admiralty Judges to the Protector. We have long waited an order on the case of Palache, on a report made to Council, and his proctor pressing for judgment, we remind you thereof, and certify that if we receive no order to the contrary, we shall let the case go to hearing. [¾ *page.*]

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52. Sir Edw. Cologne Nicholas to Jos. Jane, Mr. Fargison's, Scotland Arms, Molle Straet, Hague. I agree with you that it were much to the King's honour that his care and piety to prevent the Duke of Gloucester being perverted were known to all friends in England and in foreign parts, but it would so reflect on the *Queen mother* that, though *I am one she most hates, I disadvise it,* especially the publishing any of the *King's letters or dispatches* about it. If by his Majesty's care the hopeful duke return out of France untainted in his religion, (as I am confident he will, if he be permitted to come thence with my Lord of Ormond) that will be a good demonstration of his Majesty's industry in the business, and a conviction of the falsehood of the reports that the King left him in France that he might be made a Papist. It is certain that, upon his insisting to obey his blessed father, and the King his brother, and not to suffer himself to be tampered with to alter his religion, and refusing to submit to *the Queen's* pleasure to *turn Papist,* the *Queen forbad him her court,* and when at part*ing* he demanded *her* blessing, *she refused to* give *it him, but of* this *you* are to take *no notice,* unless *you* hear it from some other *hand.*

The first part of what I wrote you about Blake's being in the Mediterranean, came from England, and that about the French

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Dec. $\frac{8}{18}$. under the Duke of Guise from Italy; it is now added that the Duke's horse not being come, he re-embarked his foot to preserve them, and is going from the coast of Naples.

Col. Blagg came here on Wednesday with Lady Hyde, whom he met on the way, but we do not know where Lord Gerard is.

Whether Cromwell has consented to the disbanding of any of his troops in England I know not, but his Parliament has ordered that the money for payment of the army shall be but 60,000*l.* a month, and but for 3 months, and that no money shall be henceforth raised but by consent in Parliament. If these votes stand, after the 3 months, the army will be paid from the Excise, and not by further contributions in the counties. If you have seen the last prints, tell me your opinion of those votes.

The slow payment of the money in Germany makes the wants here still very great; my debt is unpaid, and we cannot send supplies to Scotland in requisite measure.

If you can tell me how to fulfil your desire, I will gladly do it. Mr. Cha. will write you what he thinks of an answer to "the "reasons of Cromwell's present government," to which I can say nothing, not having seen the book. My greatest discouragement in my hopes of better times is the want of union among us, the most sober being very unsociable in business. I beseech God send more humility and soberness among us.

My wife writes that she has not heard from me since 17 October; the postmaster here is said to be a very rogue, and a creature of Cromwell's, and I believe he sends to a correspondent postmaster in England all letters that go from hence to any English in London, so I will write to her through you.

When I spoke to the King about you at Aix, he said he would readily do anything he could for you, and I will solicit for you, though I am no good solicitor for myself.

I now perceive *Hyde* incited and *commanded* his *lady hither*, for so *she* says, though he will *not be* known to do it, and it must be extreme *chargeable to him*, and for that and many other *reasons* I conceive *very im*prudently done of him; but he is *wiser than all* men in all things, and it seems because *he can* speak *well, he* thinks he may do *any* thing and never consider how great *envy* attends him, and how few *friends* he has *in* this *Court;* but he is very industrious and able in the *King's affairs*, exceeding faithful to *his* master, *though no* kind *friend even to* those he has reason to esteem; but *I say* this only *to yourself.* Have you seen or heard anything from *Sir Ri. Page* since he went? where is his *lady?* what does *she* say to *his going* with*out her?* My service to your daughter and Mrs. Broughton. [$2\frac{3}{4}$ *pages. The italics are in cipher deciphered.*]

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Inverlochy, Lochaber.

53. Col. Wm. Brayne to the Admiralty Committee. I am keeping Capt. Nutton with the Satisfaction, by Gen. Monk's order, to transport a party of men to some of the islands or maritime wastes, should the enemy infest them. They are not considerable, and far northward, and all diligence is used to impede their levies;

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this place, which was their safe place of retreat and recruit, is now very peaceable, and in a posture of defence, and with the force of the garrison, will be able to oppose any they can bring. Capt. Tarleton is victualling the Islip at Liverpool; on his return I will send an account how he is disposed of. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

Dec. 11. Doctors' Commons.

54. Report of the Admiralty Judges to the Protector. The Dutch ship King David having been condemned in our court at the request of Thos. Chelston, we certify that he had a commission to set out the Prosperous against the French, which under Capt. Motham took a Flemish pink with Dutch colours on the French coast, and manned her to bring her to England; but losing her in the night, she was retaken by Capt. Potter of the State's ship George, and as Motham had no commission against the Dutch to show, she was brought into Falmouth, and condemned. The Admiralty Committee can do nothing; relief rests only in your Highness' clemency. [1 *page.*]

Dec. 12.

55. Petition of Jane, widow of Capt. George Ensor, to the Protector, for settlement of her pension, with arrears since 3 June last, that she and her children may subsist, it being allowed out of Haberdashers' Hall, but stayed by all payments being made into the Exchequer. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

55. I. *Order in Parliament of* 22 *June* 1650, *for payment to her of a pension of* 20*s. weekly, and order in the Council of State of Nov.* 18, 1653, *for its continuance from Goldsmiths' Hall, the late restraint notwithstanding. With note of its payment from thence to* 24 *June* 1654, *and no longer.* 22 *Dec.* 1654. *Also order by the Committee for Advance of money, &c. for its weekly payment by Mr. Dawson, their treasurer, from* 22 *June.* 26 *June* 1654. [$1\frac{1}{2}$ *pages.*]

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Order to advise the payment from the Exchequer of the following pensions:—Jane Ensor, 20*s.* a week, with arrears; Peter du Moulin, 100*l.* a year, with arrears; Lady Alice Borlace, 4*l.* a week, with arrears, both on a Protector's order of 24 Aug. 1653; also Lieut. Thos. Butler, 40*l.* a year, with arrears, by Protector's order of 2 April 1651. Approved 5 Jan. 1654–5. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 623–637.]

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56, 57. Petition of Jno. Richant & Co., merchants, to the Protector, for restitution of the Michael Archangel, built at Amsterdam in 1639, but taken in a voyage from Genoa to Lisbon by Prince Rupert, for having a protection from the commander of the English fleet. She escaped, and came voluntarily into the protection of the fleet of the Commonwealth, by Capt. Goulding, an Englishman. She has been two years in the service, under the command of Capt. Hayward, and is now called the Gillyflower. Begs allowance for her service. With reference thereon to the Admiralty Committee, to report. [2 *copies.*]

Dec. 12.

Note of a petition referred to the Committee for Petitions of Sir Chas. Berkley, for possession till evicted by law of 211 acres in

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Frome Selwood forest, granted him by the late King, according to a decree in Chancery in 1636, spoils being made thereon, and for renewal of an order of the Council of State. Noted: Left to law, the like letter as others in the like case. [*I.* 92, *No.* 283.]

Dec. 12. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. Capt. Jones and his troop of horse, being part of the force designed for special service under Gen. Venables, to march to Portsmouth, where order is taken for their pay.

2. Rob. Wadeson, paymaster of the forces on special service, to have 10*s.* a day, and 30*l.* in advance out of the 30,000*l.* appointed for the special service.

3. Mr. Fletcher appointed storekeeper to the special service. Gen. Venables to fix his salary.

4. Venables to take with him a smith and a carpenter if necessary, and to pay them out of the money for contingencies for the expedition.

5, 6. Edw. Winslow, one of the Commissioners in the expedition, to have 1,000*l.* salary, and his Highness to be requested to order 500*l.* to be advanced to him.

7. Gen. Venables to appoint a fit salary to Henry Carey, secretary to the expedition, and order its payment out of the money for contingencies.

8. Order on a letter from the Admiralty Committee to the Treasury Commissioners of 9 Dec. 1654, requiring 100,000*l.* for the fleet, to request his Highness to issue warrants for the Treasury Commissioners to pay Hutchinson 100,000*l.*

11. Order for an alteration in the warrant of 28 Aug. 1654, about a pension of 20*s.* a week to Jane, widow of Col. Fras. Rowe, that it be payable from the Exchequer by warrant under the Great Seal or Privy Seal.

12. Fiennes, Jones, and Pickering to send for Anth. Sadler and hear what he has to say against the proceedings of the Commissioners for approbation of public preachers, receive the Commissioners' answer, and report. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 621–623.]

Dec. 13. **57.** Order in the Admiralty Committee to request the Protector and Council for an order to dispose of the Samson, Salvadore, and George, which had the great quantity of silver on board, to the best advantage of the State, the Prize Goods' Commissioners reporting that they are much injured by having lain 2 years in the Thames, and are in a perishable condition, and a great charge, by keeping men on board. Noted as read 28 Dec., but respited till Gen. Desborow be present. [1 *page.*]

Dec. ? **58.** Petition of Clement Kinnersley, wardrobe keeper, to the Protector. During the 9 months of my employment, I have got in many goods which would not else have been recovered, with which I have furnished Whitehall, the Parliament house and rooms, and other rooms, and spent 500*l.* therein. I want a room for my office, as my former room is not to be had, and the banqueting house where I am is not

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fitting, especially at this season. In the late King's time, I had a diet of 12 dishes a day, and a salary of 1,000*l.* a year, but I only ask a competency. Also I beg an examination of my claim to my office against that of Wm. Legg, keeper of the late standing wardrobe of Whitehall, which I have requested for 3 years. If his claim is the better, I will render up the employment, and assist him as his servant. [1 *page.*]

Dec. 16. Order in Council that Montague, Jones, and Pickering be added to the Committee on his petition. [*I.* 75, *p.* 625.]

Dec. 16. COUNCIL. Day's Proceedings.

1. 9,000 men to be declared for the next summer's guard.

2. **59.** The 40 tuns of French wine allowed by an Ordinance of 28 March 1654 to be brought in the Hope of Rouen from France to London, custom free, to be brought in some other ship named for the purpose, and warrants and a pass granted.

4. Rob. Rous, Lieut.-Colonel to Col. Morris under Gen. Venables, to have 38 days' pay from the contingencies of the service, as the other officers have had, to be paid to Ant. Rous.

7. Strickland, Montague, Pickering, and Jones to consider how Windsor Little Park and the appurtenances, lately repurchased by the State, may be best disposed for its advantage. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 624, 625.]

Dec. 16. **60.** Patent under the Great Seal authorising Bulstrode Whitelock, Sir Thos. Widdrington, and Jno. Lisle, Commissioners of the Great Seal, Hen. Rolle, Lord Chief Justice of the Upper Bench, Oliver St. John, Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, Edw. Montague, and Wm. Sydenham, two of the Council, and Commissioners of the Treasury, to pay Robt. Turpin, 2,000*l.*, out of the Treasury of the Exchequer, as also a weekly sum of 250*l.*, for the relief of sick and wounded mariners, until further order. [*Copy,* 1 *page.*]

Dec. 17. Whitehall. **61.** Council to Edw. Dendy. Being informed that John White, Rich. Manley, and Hen. Bateson, have defrauded the State upon counterfeit warrants of several great sums of money which they have converted to their own use, you are to apprehend and bring them before Council to answer to the charges. With writ of assistance. [¾ *page.*]

Dec. 18. **62.** A. Granger to Rob. Blackborne. I have caused Jane, the wife of Col. Farrington, who came to look after Mr. Fugill, to be taken before Sir Jno. Wollaston, for having, with Col. Key's wife and Mrs. Lovell, been a receiver and vendor of false debentures; he has committed her to prison. Her husband is one of those who would have contrived with me the forging of 10,000*l.* Irish accounts. Alderman Barker was to have bought them, and other things of great consequence he intended to forge, as an order from Council, &c. I also intend to secure him, but I want power. Mathew Ryley an attorney, their grand intelligencer and the blaser of this

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business, is abroad; he ought to be secured until it is over, that we may not miss the apprehension of the rest. If those who are secured can communicate with the rest, they will have warning and be frighted.

I desire their honours will take immediate order for the disposal of this woman; if I were at liberty to prosecute, I would quickly draw them together, and go through what I have undertaken, though it cost me my life, which is highly threatened by many of them, if I attempt this general discovery.

Mr. Fugill, after his escape, came to me with Col. Farrington, and used most opprobrious language of the Commissioners, saying, "There sat Col. Clarke, with his pricked ears, and little head, and lesser wit, whom I baffled to his face," and that "there was not a gentleman among them but Admiral Desborow, and he was a ploughman;" but I am ashamed to rehearse any more of such language, so unworthily thrown and aspersed on such honourable gentlemen, to whom I am obliged even for my life.

P.S. It will be most convenient that the messenger should take out a general warrant to apprehend those whom I shall at any time name. [1½ *pp.*]

Dec. ? **63.** A. Granger to Rob. Blackborne, secretary to the Admiralty Committee. If there be not yet any order granted for the Bench of sessions to stay their discharge of Jane Farrington, let a note be sent to Mr. Dike that I may be at liberty with my keeper to go to the sessions' house this afternoon to prosecute, or else I and my man, and the turnkey lie open to the common law of an inveterate woman, whose husband has threatened my life ever since my taking of Fugill. [1 *page.*]

Dec. ? Newgate. **64.** Ab. Granger to Matt. Ryley, at a barber's house, by the Chequer inn, Holborn, I warn you, out of affection, not to stir in the messages of these people, Fugill or others, for if you do, you will find yourself in a sad condition. You had been secured yesterday had not I esteemed you very highly. [⅔ *page.*]

Dec. ? **65.** A. Granger to his cousin. God has punished me for my sins, and I am in jeopardy for my life every minute, but there is yet a chance of saving it. I am in the hands of cruel men. The sheriff is in the house, and both father and son have upbraided me with former ——. There is an outlawry against me this 2 years, and I am beset with perplexity, but I trust God will deliver me. I have but 15*l.* in the world, but I will pawn things to make it 20*l.*, which you shall have before I stir, and if you will ride 50 miles for me (I will furnish the horse) you could get me 30*l.* more. Get my discharge for God's sake, for my blood is at stake, and I will not part from you and Westrop till we have ended all. [1 *page.*]

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2. Wm. Legg to deliver to Clement Kinnersley the indenture of the goods belonging to the State delivered to Lord Whitelock's officers on his going to Sweden, and Kinnersley to receive for his

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Highness' use the said hangings, plate, pewter, linen, and other goods.

3. Thirty bags of galls, part of the lading of the St. Francis of Marseilles, taken at sea last July by a ship in the State's service, to be delivered to Nath. Manton, for use of the proprietor, or if they are sold, the whole proceeds thereof.

5. The alterations made by his Highness in the rules, directions, and byelaws made by the aldermen of London for regulating hackney coachmen, approved by Council Nov. 30, read, and approved.

6. **66.** The Admiralty Commissioners to provide 650 more hammocks for the forces designed for special service, and send them speedily to Portsmouth, according to Gen. Desborow's letter of Dec. 12. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 626, 627.]

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Doctors' Commons.

67. Drs. Jno. Godolphin and Wm. Clarke to the Admiralty Committee. We have stopped the proceedings touching the St. John Baptist, taken by Captains Sedgwick and Leverett, until their return, and ordered the superseding of Arnold Beake's arrest of all the goods as belonging to the State; Beake has submitted to their landing, provided he has the same benefit as allowed to strangers, he being a British subject. As the ship is to be reladen for the use of the State, it is desired that Capt. Sedgwick may attend to testify what goods belong to the State, that a severance may be made, and that justice may proceed according to law. [1 *page.*]

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St. Ives.

68. And. Duke to Capt. John Pearse, London. Private affairs. Thanks for your receiving 10*l.* for me. I want the cloth you bought made there into clothes, a cloak or riding coat, whichever is most in wearing, but more especially I want my landlady paid ½ a year's rent that I owe. Pay what money you have of mine to Major Ceely, who is coming to London. [1 *page.*]

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69. Rich. Cowch to Capt. John Pearse. My wife wishes you to buy her a serge jumpe of a sad colour, with a hood to match, or an oiled hood. [1 *page.*]

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70. Petition of Edward Stanley, a saltpetre man, to the Admiralty Commissioners. I have adventured my life in desperate services by sea and land, and fearing the want of gunpowder in these sea-fights with the Dutch, I contracted last April with Fras. Vincent, saltpetre man, for the working of Surrey and Hampshire the full time of his commission, engaging to bring into the Tower stores 20 barrels monthly, being ½ Vincent's engagement for his 4 counties, at 3*l.* 18*s.* a barrel. But having brought my vessels and servants to Guildford to work, divers gentlemen oppose me because I have not a commission from the present Government. I beg you to get one from the Council of State, that I may go on with my work, which is 20*l.* a week charge, and bring in my proportion of powder. [1 *page.*]

Annexing,

70. I. *Report of the Admiralty Committee thereon, advising a renewal of the commission to Stanley to work in the*

aforesaid counties, during the time limited in the Act. 6 *Dec.* 1654. [1 *page.*]

Dec. 28. Reference thereon in Council to Mulgrave, Jones, Strickland, and Wolsley, to report. [*I.* 75, *p.* 628.]

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2. A bond of Nov. 22, 1652, that Sir Robert Stone, while beyond sea on a pass from Council, shall do nothing against Government, to be delivered up to Stone to be cancelled.

4. Wm. Legg to deliver to Clem. Kinnersley, for his Highness' use, all the plate, linen, &c., which was sent with Lord Whitelock to Sweden, and is since returned.

5. Fiennes, Jones, and Wolsley to make such alterations as they think fit in the draft of a letter prepared by Dr. Walker to the Admiralty Lords at Dunkirk, about the Patience and her lading, taken as prize by the Bonadventure, and stayed at Ostend, and to report.

7. **72.** Order on report from the Admiralty Committee of Dec. 13, to advise his Highness to direct the Committee to build 6 small frigates of 20 guns each, and to put them in hand presently, to which his Highness, being present, agreed.

9. The petition of Col. Henry Pretty for compensation, as his contract for the purchase of Agarsley Park cannot be made good, referred to Lambert, Montague, Pickering, and Jones, to report.

10. **73.** The petition of the bailiffs of Great Yarmouth, for payment of 42*l.* disbursed in sending to sea small vessels to observe the motions of the Dutch, and give notice to the merchants, according to an order of July 1652, referred to the Admiralty Commissioners, to order the Navy Treasurer to pay it if they find it due.

13. The thanks of Council given to Gen. Desborow, for his good service at Portsmouth in dispatching Gen. Penn's fleet and forces.

14. The powers of Rich. Hutchinson, Navy Treasurer, expiring 1 Jan. next, the Admiralty Committee are to treat with him about the proportion of his salary for next year, and report.

15. To advise his Highness that Lieut.-Col. John Mills be paid for fire and candles provided for Col. Ingoldsby's regiment, out of the army contingencies.

16. Order on a letter from Redcastle, Wales, of Dec. 12, concerning interruptions given to godly persons by Mr. Garbott and others, that Council write to the justices of peace there to examine, and report.

18. The Commissioners on Clement Kinnersley's petition to report to Council at their next sitting.

21, 22. To advise a warrant to the Treasury Commissioners, to pay from moneys received from delinquents' estates, to John Blackwell and Rich. Deane, treasurers-at-war, 92,616*l.* 5*s.* 10½*d.*, balance unpaid of 166,747*l.* 1*s.* 11*d.*, part of 200,000*l.* ordered by Parliament in 1653 and 1654 to be paid to the said treasurers for the use of the army, and a patent to the said treasurers to receive it and pay it on warrants of the Army Committee.

23. The foot regiments of his Highness and Cols. Ingoldsby and

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Goffe, which were of 1,200 men, then reduced to 700, then altered to 800, to remain at 800, and the arrears of the other 100 first ordered to be drawn out, and of their officers to be paid. [*I.* 75, *pp.* 627–9.]

Dec. 28. **74.** A. Granger to Lord Admiral Desborow. I now begin to lift my head from the pit of my affliction, your return being the continuance of my hopes. I beg your memory of me, and here present a charge of facts against certain persons, some whereof are already taken by my direction and endeavours. [1 *page.*] *Enclosing,*

74. I. *Information by Granger.*

1. *Fugill was the first man that enticed me into this second acting; I charge him with contriving and vending in* 1651 *and* 1652 *false debentures and public faith bills which he had of Quick and me, to the value of* 80,000*l.*; *he was imprisoned for it in May* 1652, *but admitted to bail, on condition that he should not act anything either by forgery or otherwise to the prejudice of the State for* 12 *months.*

2. *Within a month after his liberty, he inveigled one (who else was intended for beyond sea), and during the year, vended* 7 *or* 8,000*l. of false debentures and public faith bills, whereby he forfeits the mercy granted him, and his security is liable to the forfeiture of the bond, he having broke the condition thereof within two months. He joined me in the forging of those false warrants from the Admiralty Committee, and received* 360*l. upon them out of the Prize office; he was also to procure an order from Council for* 500*l. for Col. Farrington's losses, and Farrington and he were to join with me to alter such warrant to* 1,500*l.*

Bateson since 1651 *has been acting in the forging of false debentures and public faith bills, and receiviny them from me; he and Quick have sold* 12 *or* 15,000*l. worth, of which he had almost all the profit. In Nov. last and since, he received sums on false warrants to the value of* 250*l.*

Quick has forged himself, and vended 70,000*l. in false debentures and public faith bills, and had many partners. He was apprehended and imprisoned at the same time as Fugill, and came out on a similar bond, but forfeited it by receiving and vending false debentures which he had of me within the* 12 *months, whereby his security is liable.*

Hill has been a constant dealer in and vender of them, and has sold 15 *or* 20,000*l. worth, and has purchased with the profit thereof, and is settled in a good estate in land, and lives in the country; if taken, he could give evidence against some of greater quality.*

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Chadwick knowingly received from Fugill 2 or 3,000l. worth of counterfeit debentures 2 years since, made the letters of attorney himself, and put the names to them. He sold them to Col. Joyce, who purchased on them, but Chadwick had most of the money which Col. Joyce paid for them, and has since, with Crane, another of Quick's dealers, purchased a park or forest, being not before worth 5l., and in a very invalid condition.

White would have contrived with me and Quick to counterfeit bills of exchange and receive excise money, but this never came to any effect. He received several false debentures of me, and sent them to Mr. Greene, Registrar Accountant at Drury House, and had most of the money, and he can testify to much bribery in some of higher note.

Manley has vended many false debentures received from Fugill after his last freedom on security, and was the only man who acted for Fugill, as he could not act for himself, being blemished by his former imprisonment; he has since acted with me.

Gifford contrived the forgery of many public faith bills, vended many of them, and entered many false claims at Worcester House, and has been very active to make discovery upon treasuries according to his power, though his endeavours have been rendered useless.

Col. Keys has procured many false debentures and public faith bills to be forged, and with his wife, has vended above 20 or 30,000l. worth, with whose wife, in his absence, was joined Col. Farrington's wife. This Keys was one of the first actors in this kind of falsehood, and with Fugill first inticed me into such second action, both which joined together at the first beginning of doubling at Worcester House; were he taken, he could speak much as to giving bribes.

Col. White has vended many false debentures, and was an actor with Fugill, who first brought him to me that I should rewrite his own true debenture, granted him for his service, by which means he sold it twice, and afterwards vended many more false ones.

Major Scarrow has lately vended many false debentures, and entered false claims in other names.

Wilmore was the first man that ever tempted me to forgery, as he first brought printed bills or debentures signed by Mr. Hodges and other Army Commissioners, by which bills, at his continual solicitation, I made others, which he sold and had the greatest share.

Monsieur de Boatmore was a continual dealer and vendor of false debentures and public faith bills, and has dealt with Quick, Bateson, Hill, and others, having vended 30,000l. in such forgeries; he was a chief dealer for Col. Thorpe, and has gained a good estate thereby.

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Col. Aldrich has received from me many false debentures, and vended them to Col. Thorpe and others, and received the profits thereof.

Turke has been a continual vendor of the same, which he received of Quick, and also dealt for Fugill, and has vended above 10,000*l. worth, and fled when the last enquiry was made.*

Cotton has received money several times out of the Prize Office, on false warrants as from the Admiralty Commissioners, by the name of Miller.

Greenway has also received money from the same office on false warrants, and caused one Pratt or Prague to do the same.

Barnes and Steed were at the time of my capture plotting to receive money out of the Custom House, and sent to Holland to have the Council's seal cut, which it is believed has been done and sent over, as since my imprisonment a gentleman from Barnes came to me, and although he could not speak plainly, yet I perceived there was something in agitation, in which Barnes could not proceed without me, and therefore he hoped my speedy liberty.

Herbert with Thorowgood has received out of the Treasury at Tower Street many small sums on false seamen's tickets, signed by those of the Navy at Tower Hill, but on my apprehension, they secured themselves; if I were at liberty, I could quickly find out their haunts, and hinder their further intents.

Farrington combined with me and made me promise to go to Ireland, and there to make 10,000*l. false Irish debentures, and Fugill was to bring them over to England, and to sell them to Alderman Barker, to which purpose Barker had agreed on a price with Fugill, and writings were drawn; but as nothing was done, I did not go over, having by Fugill's solicitation a daily expectation of an order from Council for his damages in Barbadoes for* 500*l.; he would have given the order to me that I might make a false order by it for* 1,500*l.,—viz.,* 500*l. a man for Fugill, himself, and me,—but he was frustrated of that warrant, and therefore nothing was done. He hid Fugill after his escape, and had his papers in the house when Mr. Blackborne came to search, and afterwards brought Fugill to me. His wife kept company with Col. Keys' wife, and with her received some false debentures from me, and said she had one ready that would deal for them; Keys' wife alleged that Farrington's wife had disposed of* 800*l. worth of them, and that she must be allowed* $\frac{1}{3}$ *of the profit. As she is inconsiderable and poor, your honours may do as you see fit, but she being Fugill's grand intelligencer, I secured her, fearing she might give caution from Fugill*

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to others, who would circumvent all; he intends to be mighty obstinate, swearing he will not confess one word unless he has his liberty.

Samuel Edwards has also been a forger of false certificates and seamen's tickets, and received 5 from the Treasury in Tower Street, and has a tribe of others belonging to him; he may easily be taken.

Against many of these parties there is nothing but my testimony at present, as against Mr. Syddall, the clerk; but when a part of them are apprehended, they will prove sufficient testimony one against the other; many of them, if taken, can give such evidence concerning some of greater quality as may make good what in my conscience I know, as to their connivance and assistance herein for profit. I shall be sparing, but as soon as I am permitted to search these falsities, according to my proposal, in the offices of Gurney, Drury, and Worcester Houses, I will quickly find out some of those grandees, and the particulars of the charges herein. I doubt not, if fully authorised, to free the State from most or all the public debts claimed as arrears for the soldiery and upon the public faith, for I believe there will not be true bills enough, by many thousand pounds, to put in the place of the false. I will make such a thorough discovery as was scarce ever made since the first Parliament sat, and if found faulty in a tittle of my trust, I will desire no mercy, but a just reward of justice for such perfidious breach and forfeiture of mercy received. [7 *pages.*]

74. II. *List of* 21 *persons concerned in the fraud, viz.:—*

John Fugill.	*Rich. Manley.*
Jno. White.	*Hen. Bateson.*
Isaac Wilmore.	*Rich. Hill.*
Jno. Quick.	*Peter Gifford.*
Col. White.	*Col. Aldrich.*
Col. Farrington.	*Col. Keys.*
Major Scarrow.	*Monsr. De Boatmore.*
Mr. Cotton.	*Edw. Herbert.*
Thos. Thorowgood.	*Mr. Barnes.*
Mr. Steed.	*Mr. Turke.*
Mr. Chadwick.	

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[Dec. 28.] **75.** A. Granger to Col. Thos. Kelsey. I now begin to hope a period of my present affliction, and that the Almighty has heard my prayers, and put into your heart the finishing of this great and free act of mercy towards me. The Lord enable me to make a right use of this his fatherly dealing, and grant that I may use this my given life to the glory of God, and to the profit of the Commonwealth. To the completing thereof, there is nothing remaining but your assent and charitable assistance, which I beg, and that you will proceed to the acceptance of my security, so that I may be enabled

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to give a speedy satisfactory account of my integrity, and what I propounded; if you find me false, snatch back this life and mercy, as from one unworthy to live. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

[Dec. 28.] **76.** A. Granger to Col. Clerke. Having for a good space already tasted your honor's mercy by yet enjoying my forfeited life, and by a continuance thereof led into a pitch of much hope, not only of my life, but also of my liberty, wherein nothing is wanted but your consent, I humbly beseech that you will be one of the first moving instruments to this preservation and mercy, and vouchsafe to be a leading example in finishing thereof to the rest of the Commissioners, who only expect your pleasure therein, so that my security sealed, I may proceed in my proposed undertakings, wherein I am confident to give a speedy and considerable account of my integrity. [1 *page.*]

Dec. 28. Press Yard, Newgate. **77.** John Wheate to Col. Clerke, Whitehall. I was much abused last night by Capt. Granger, who called me a traitorous rogue, and was like to have killed me. He set all the keepers against me, and by reason of his fullness of money, swaggers and domineers so that no man is able to abide in the place; I therefore desire you will immediately grant an order to Capt. Dike, on behalf of Joshua Fugill, who is a prisoner here in the same place to Granger, and by virtue of an order from Mr. Blakemore, is kept from pen, ink, or paper, or any one save Granger, who has taken him to lie with him, so that you shall find their plots and deceits discovered, and have full satisfaction within 48 hours after his liberty, whereby he may be enabled to declare the truth of the whole matter.

I am assured that for what I have done, I shall be removed into a miserable place, and bear many false expressions besides, except you move to the contrary. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

[Dec. 28.] **78.** Information by Rebecca Barnes and Jane Rodolphus to the Admiralty Committee. Mary Palmer *alias* Wilmer counterfeited hands to get a pension for the death of her husband Skitson (who died of the plague in Moorfields), and received it until she married Palmer, now a prisoner in the Gatehouse. She then turned it over to her child, and received it again 6 years after her child was dead. She caused others in the same manner to obtain pensions at Ely House, &c. where 10 or 12 are lately put out. She counterfeited Col. Ingoldsby and others' hands, whereby she obtained the Lord Protector's hand to the Committee at Little Britain, for an allowance, under pretence that her husband died a lieutenant in a ship at sea, and that her present husband was her cousin, and was to be trusted with her money. Can produce similar cases, but cannot spend their time without reward. [1 *page.*]

Dec. 30. Doctors' Commons. **79.** Drs. Jno. Godolphin and Wm. Clerke, Admiralty judges to the Admiralty Committtee. We ordered that the goods and merchandise in the St. John Baptist be landed by Major Sedgwick, he giving caution for answering the freight, in case any shall be adjudged due to the owners. Notwithstanding which, information on oath is given in Court touching the unlading, without caution

for the freight being given by Major Sedgwick. With what unhandsome language, to the contempt of the jurisdiction of his Highness' Court of Admiralty, these proceedings touching these goods are attended appears by the information, together with some reflections as to the proprietors of the goods, and the distinctions thereof. The clamours of Arnold Beake for justice in the Admiralty Court in this cause are high, requiring justice, and an attachment against such as have unladen the goods. To require justice is his right; to do it is our duty; but before any attachment should issue, we have thought fit to acquaint you herewith, and to remind you of our desire that Major Sedgwick may yet attend the Court, upon the account of the said caution, that so justice may proceed according to law. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*] *Annexing,*

79. I. *Deposition of Thos. Browne, one of the marshal's deputies, and Thos. Smith, before Saml. Howe, public notary, that the master and boatswain of the St. John Baptist said the State had no other goods in the ship besides* 100 *and odd barrels of tar, that all the rest of the goods belonged to private men, and that the goods which they saw in the lighter, taken out of the ship, were tobacco and sugar. Further, that the master told them publicly upon the Exchange, that Major Sedgwick said he was unwise, in that he did not throw the officer who arrested the goods overboard, and that he, the master, repented he had not so done. Browne further deposes that notwithstanding the Admiralty warrant, the master and company proceeded in unloading the tobacco and sugar.* 30 *Dec.* 1654. [1$\frac{3}{4}$ *pages.*]

Dec. ? **80.** Petition of Edw. Bellamy and John Addis to the Admiralty Committee. Contracted in September last with Capt. Thos. Alderne, Navy victualler, to victual ships in London and Chatham, and to deliver fish, for which they were to be paid monthly; but though they have done their part, they are unpaid since November, and there are now 4,000 men daily victualling, which will increase while the ships remain in the Hope, and they spend 100*l.* a day, and only receive 100*l.* a week. Beg an imprest from the Navy victualler of 1,500*l.*, and 600*l.* a week while the fleet remains in the river. Also that the boats coming to Gravesend may carry beer to the Hope. Also that they may have justice on Capt. Hayward of the Entrance, who owes them beer. [1 *page.*]

Dec. ? **81.** Petition of the mayor, aldermen, and inhabitants of Hull to the Admiralty Committee. Our poor have much increased lately, and more than ever since the late war with Holland, whereby many women and children have lost husbands and fathers, There is 60*l.* in the hands of Wm. Lyme, collector of the customs on coal for the winter quarter, which by the Act for impositions on coals, we are to receive for our poor; we beg your order for its payment. [1 *page.*]

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Dec. ? **82.** Note by J. Perkins to [Hum. Holden] referring him to Capt. Lark, one of the prize money and gratuity Commissioners for lost seamen in Little Britain, late clerk of the Committee for public debts and examination of frauds, sitting in the Duchy chamber, in reference to certain debentures. With note by Holden to Blackborne that Browne, one of the most notorious rogues for counterfeiting debentures, is now prisoner at Lambeth house, and that the said late clerk has papers which will be very serviceable in the case. [1 *page.*]

Dec. ? **83.** Petition of Col. Hum. Brewster, and Major Wm. Poe to the Protector and Council. By commissions from you, the Earl of Manchester, and Lord Grey of Wark, Poe and his brother Anthony served faithfully in your regiment in the associated counties, as captain and lieutenant, from 21 Feb. 1642–3 to 19 April 1646, in suppressing the malignants, and disbursed therein 3,201*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.*, as appears by order of Parliament of 10 Dec. 1646. Ant. Poe sold his share therein to Major Wm. Poe, to whom 2,601*l.* 19*s.* 6*d.* is also due, as executor to Capt. John Birkbeck, and Katherine his wife. To Brewster 725*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.* is due for service in the wars.

As God has seated you in the supreme power, to the great rejoicing of all who love the nation's prosperity, we— being frustrate of satisfaction other ways,—beg an order to the trustees at Worcester house to pay us from the sale of 4 forests, on the Ordinance of 30 *Aug.* 1654; or from lands in cos. Dublin, Cork, Kildare, and Caterlaugh, yet undisposed of; or from forfeited corporation lands, according to the Act of 26 Sept. 1653, for adventurers and soldiers; or from our own discoveries. [1 *page.*]

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84. Petition of Theop. Baughey, Laurence Wollaston, Geo. Hooper and Walter Paine to the Protector. On the coming forth of the Act for sale of forest lands, we paid 1,800*l.* in money and bills, on security of the Act, but the trustees not proceeding to sale of the lands, we beg an order for a lease of such a proportion as shall recompense the said sum with interest, or a transfer thereof to Deans and chapters' lands, or some other relief. With note of reference thereof to Council, 4 months ago. [1 *page, copy.*]

85. Petition of divers well-affected parishioners of Chatham to the Protector and Council. At a late meeting, they elected Walter Rosewell to preach and minister amongst them, till provision be made for comfortable maintenance of him, or such other as shall be chosen. Beg confirmation, that they may enjoy a privilege of which they have been some years deprived. 13 signatures. [1 *page.*]

86. Copy of the above without the signatures. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

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87. Petition of Capt. Saml. Dickinson, of the Gift, to the Admiralty Committee, for a hearing to vindicate himself from the charges made against him by Lieut. Hen. Barrow. During his nine months' employment in the ship, observed the lieutenant to be a person of a very light and loose conversation, a great neglecter of duty, a frequenter of alehouses and taverns, in company with John Spiller, clerk of the check, at all places where they came on shore, and one that sowed the seeds of sedition between him and his officers. Fearing this might be of dangerous consequence, acquainted the master attendant at Portsmouth, in the absence of the Generals, as likewise Capts. Saunders, Crispian, and Plumley, and intended, at the expiration of the voyage, to represent his misdemeanors to their honours. Finding that instead of amendment he grew worse, was constrained to turn him from the table, and resolved to exhibit the annexed articles of misdemeanor against him. On this he exhibited several articles against petitioner, which are utterly false and scandalous, as appears by his annexed answer, and by the testimony of the Governor of Newfoundland, and of all the officers and others under petitioner's command. [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*] *Annexing,*

87. I. *Articles of misdemeanour presented by Dickinson against Barrow :—*

1. *Pretending to have business with the Commissioners, he left the ship in the Downs to go for London, and carrying the clerk of the check's wife from Deptford to the Blue Boar's Head at Gravesend, gave out that she was his wife, and afterwards brought her on board, and lodged her in his cabin.*
2. *He was very turbulent, and often endeavoured to sow dissension between the captain and officers.*
3. *He often went on shore at Deal, Portsmouth, and Plymouth without leave, and stayed day and night drinking and ranting.*
4. *In June last he lodged in the clerk of the check's cabin, and having a candle, he twice set the ship on fire, and had not the carpenter and others broken open the cabin door, and quenched the fire, it would have destroyed the ship, and the whole company.*
5. *He bought brandy wine of the check, causing him to set it down in his book as for clothes, and dispensed it to the company in his cabin.*
6. *While at Plymouth, he vaunted that if he could inform against any man to better himself, or to get his place, he would do it.* [$\frac{3}{4}$ *page.*]

87. II. *Articles by Barrow against Dickinson :—*

1. *He has caused the Lord's Day to be openly profaned by causing trumpets to sound, and sending for other music, and drinking.*

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2. *He is a drunkard, and was drunk several times on shore and at sea, and vaunted, "Let those who dare complain to the Generals, for he would drink and be merry in his cabin." He was also drunk at Plymouth Sound and at Cape Rial, Newfoundland, and caused* 40 *pieces of ordnance to be fired.*
3. *Notwithstanding the good laws sent on board for the punishing of drunkenness and swearing, he has not punished either, although several times informed of the delinquents, so that both became customary in the ship.*
4. *He has kept runaways on the muster book, and taken tickets for* 4 *boys, his servants, though not being able seamen.*
5. *A collier's yawl being run on shore by its men, from fear of being pressed, the ship's boat brought it on board, and when the master of the collier desired it back, Dickinson replied it was for the use of the State, but since he has converted it to his own use.* [1 *page.*]

87. III. *Answer in detail by Dickinson to these articles:—*

1. *I am no profaner of the Sabbath, and as for sounding of trumpets on that day, coming from Flanders on a Sunday night, after convoying some ships, and meeting with a fleet of Hollanders and Hamburghers, I commanded some guns to be fired to make them strike; and a commander of one of the Hamburghers coming on board to dinner, he and the lieutenant went on to the poop, and then the trumpets were sounded, but without my knowledge or consent. I never had any other music on board, save that the master's mate of the Merlin came on board one week day, and brought a viol and cithern.*
2. *The reason of firing guns was that on arriving at Newfoundland before any of the squadron at Cape Broyle, and understanding the governor lived but* 7 *miles off, I went in the shallop to give him notice of my arrival, and to know what French were there, and was very civilly entertained by him and the merchants all night; the next morning they came on board, and in honour of my employers, I presumed to salute them with some guns, they having done the like to me, and bid them welcome to a dinner, when some small guns were fired. Barrow was not with us all the time they were on board, as I had turned him from my table two months before for his misdemeanours, and although the Governor and some merchants lodged with me on board all night, we were not drunk.*

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3. *As to favouring drunkenness and swearing, I caused the articles to be placed in the steerage, had all the men called up, and gave a charge of the same; and when any complaint was made, I caused the offenders to suffer accordingly; the boatswain punished some with the butt of his whistle on the forehead; some were arraigned at the bar on the forecastle, with a gag in their mouth and a paper on their breast, showing the cause of their being there; others were drubbed, and some set in irons. I set the check in irons for drinking, swearing, and ranting on shore 6 days and nights, and the lieutenant loosed him when I was gone on shore; but on coming back, I had him put in them again.*

4. *As for false musters, I kept 3 absent servants on the books, in hopes that they might return. The 4 boys named have been 7 years at sea.*

5. *As for the yawl, I have employed her in the service ever since she was taken, and she is now in the State's yard at Woolwich.* [2¾ *pp.*]

88. Petition of Peter Eppen, master of the Star of Emden, to the Protector, for an order to the Prize Office Commissioners to release his small vessel, being no enemy, or her charges will amount to more than she is worth. She was one of the 18 in the Hamburg fleet taken by the Elizabeth 3 Oct. last; the case has been before the late Council of State, and is now before the Foreign Affairs' Committee, who have released some of the said ships. [1 *page.*]

89. Petition of Jane Gilbert, widow, to the Protector and Council. After several years' attendance, obtained an order from the Admiralty Commissioners, by which the Navy Commissioners have given her an order on the Commissioners for Prize Goods for 100*l.*, for the loss of her husband, and relief of her herself and 3 children. Her wants and debts are great, and a stop is made that moneys cannot be paid without an order; begs one accordingly. [1 *page.*]

90. Petition of Capt. Rich. Kesting, Cornet Rob. Barret, and Quartermaster Hum. Draycot to the Protector. Kesting forsook a wife and large family in London, and served at his own cost in Col. West's regiment at the relief of Gloucester, was wounded at the first battle of Newbury, had the army disease, received nothing, and lost 50*l.* In 1646 he removed to Leicester, raised a troop of militia horse, and was sent by Lord Grey to Uttoxeter to apprehend Duke Hamilton, but received only 40*s.* On the coming of Charles Stuart they all served a month, having a week's pay in advance, but no salary then or since. Beg payment out of money in the hands of Ald. Edm. Craddock, of Leicester, raised for those public uses. [1 *page.*]

91. Petition of John Pearse, late commander of the State ship Providence, to the Protector, for the place of land waiter in the

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Custom House of London, or other employment competent for the support of himself and family. At the beginning of the late troubles, deserted his merchandising affaires and fully engaged in the public service. Rehearses his services, and the injuries he has sustained thereby. Has made very small improvement by his sea employment, declining his own to advance the public interest. [1 *page, damaged.*] *Annexing,*

91. I. *Indenture of apprenticeship for 7 years of Richard Scale, son of Jonathan Scale, of Petworth, co. Sussex, deceased, to John Pearse, of the Providence, who is to teach him the Mariner's art.* [1 *page, damaged.*]

92. Petition of Mary, wife of Step. Penn, of West Cowes, Isle of Wight, to the Protector. Has attended in vain 20 weeks for the freight of a boat, and wages of her husband and others, on the design against Jersey. Her husband, her mother of 94 years old, and 4 children are all sick, she has no money, and the creditors threaten to arrest her husband's boat for the debt, and yet she can get no relief by Admiralty Committee or Council. Begs dispatch. [1 *page.*]

93. Petition of Rich. Shute, and the rest of the owners and merchants of the Concord of London, to the Protector, for the proceedings about the said ship and goods to be again inserted in the treaty with the Dutch, and satisfaction required therefor. Often petitioned the late Council of State, on their loss in 1648 by the Dutch on the coast of Brazil, the ship and goods being worth 30,000*l.*, as proved in the Admiralty Court.

Lord Chief Justice St. John and Mr. Strickland, then ambassadors to the States-general, in vain demanded satisfaction, on which the Council of State referred the case to the Admiralty judges, who reported that letters of reprisal should be granted, when an ambassador then coming for peace, the Parliament commissioners made their case an article in the treaty, but it broke off, on account of the Dutch fleet's hostility in the Downs. 6 signatures. [1 *page.*]

94. Edw. Lowe, organist of Christchurch, Oxford, to the Vice-Chancellor and delegates. The dean and prebends of Christchurch 30 years ago gave an organ to the University, which was planted in the University church, and they settled 10*l.* a year on an organist, to play a psalm before and after sermon, which was paid quarterly by the vice-chancellor, but the organist paid 1*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to a clerk for naming the said psalms.

This I received till 1648, and then nothing for 2 years, on account of the troubles, but in 1650 Dr. [Edw.] Reynolds, then vice-chancellor, paid my arrears. I had nothing again till 1652, when the chancellor [Dan.] Greenwood paid my arrears. In 1653, the delegates ordered Vice-Chancellor [John] Owen to pay me 10*l.*, but no more after, though nothing was laid to my charge. I beg the chancellor to recommend this business to the delegates, either to show why I have forfeited my salary, or to pay me the arrears. [1 *page.*]

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95. Rich. Southwood to [the Mayor of Melcomb Regis]. Capt. David Dove, pressmaster, has summoned certain men who refuse to appear. You are therefore to impress any of them in your precincts between 16 and 60 years old, and summon the rest to appear before Capt. Dove, at the White Hart, Melcomb Regis. In case of non-appearance, you are to apprehend and bring them before me at Dorchester. [⅔ *page.*]

96. Case of Sir Peter Killigrew :—

1. His account was stated in 1648 by the Revenue Committee.
2. In 1650, it was referred by the Council of State to the Irish and Scotch Committee, and by them again stated.
3. It is now stated by the Committee of Council for hearing petitions.

There is 2,150*l.* due to him, on a life annuity of 200*l.* a year, which Parliament ordered the Revenue Committee to pay. They granted him 2 warrants for 600*l.*, on which nothing has been paid, and recommended Parliament to grant him the remainder from the estate of John Arundel, late governor of Pendennis castle, by whose order his house was burnt.

For the reducing of that castle, all the timber and trees left unburnt about his house, and all the lead that covered the hall and gatehouse were used.

He has a patent from the late King, for the lives of him and his wife, for 200*l.* a year, which he is willing to surrender.

He has performed 160 journeys for Parliament, and served long and faithfully, and begs consideration. [1 *page.*]

97. Request by Geo. Payler, John Falkener, John White, and Wm. Somerfield, ordnance officers and clerks, to the Ordnance Committee, to move Council that the auditors of imprests may audit the accounts of their office, and that 7,000*l.* arrears of their wages for 6 years' service may be paid. [⅔ *page.*]

98. Report by Col. Mackworth and Sir A. A. Cooper, on a reference about the arrears demanded of Col. Pride by the Commissioners for Excise. He alleges that in 1643–45 his clerks did not collect, the excise not being fully settled, and he absent in the army, and these arrears are pardoned by the Act of Oblivion ; also that he lost 1,600*l.* for beer delivered to the navy, which was thrown overboard.

The Excise Commissioners say that the Excise was collected in 1645 with arrears, but they do not claim them, the balance due Sept. 1645 of 227*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* being cleared afterwards. But they think he himself determines that the Act of Oblivion does not free him, for he paid 124*l.* 3*s.* on the balance of his account of 682*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* due before that Act, and also promised to pay the remainder, on which the Commissioners forbore prosecution. There will be 20,000*l.* endangered by this precedent, if the Colonel's demand be admitted. [2 *pages.*]

99. Statement of Col. Pride's account for excise and the brewhouse, 1645—Dec. 1652 ; balance due from him 558*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.* [1 *page.*]

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100. Recommendation by Dr. Wilkins of Reinolds of Magdalen, Cooper of New, and Dod of Christchurch College [Oxford], as "honest, "learned, prudent men, and very good preachers." Also of Dent and Jempson of Wadham, and Silvester of Trinity, as "honest, humble "men, and very useful preachers." [$\frac{1}{3}$ *page.*]

101. Account addressed to the Protector by Carey Mildmay, of Waltham Forest, Essex. There is great spoil of timber, both by foreigners and the inhabitants, there being no person of trust empowered to preserve the forest, since the late Act of disafforestation.

There is much good timber in Wallwood, Layton Walk, 80 acres, but though it belonged to the State, it was questioned last year, and great spoil made in the timber. [$\frac{2}{3}$ *page.*]

102. Certificate by Peter Gill and 5 other merchants, and Sam. White, surgeon, all of Guernsey, that on 1st May, being near St. Malo, with Capt. John Smith, they sent to enquire if the coast was free for trade; they were falsely told that it was, and were going in, when warned by 2 English merchants, Saunders and West, not to proceed, and to inform the convoy, as no boat of St. Malo was allowed, on pain of death, to approach any English vessel till within command of the town, that thus they might be surprised. They said that English merchants are appealing to the King, and to the Parliament at Rheims for justice, 28,000 livres and many goods having been taken from English merchants, their vessels arrested, the masters and company beaten, and sent to Jersey: Also that English boys sent to learn French were stripped, and left naked in streets. [1 *page.*]

103. Statement of the cause between David Galbreth, captain of the King of Great Britain, and Elias Dove and Henry Brower, inhabitants of Emden, as to whether the ship De Witte Dove and its cargo belongs to Dove and Brower, or to other English or Zealand merchants.

Dove and Brower pretend they are true owners, and in proof allege,—

1. The agreement (commonly called the Charter Party) between them, dated 18 May 1653, which asserts the fact.

2. The letters of safe conduct, dated 16 October 1652, and the certificate, dated 20 May 1653, both from the consuls and senators of Emden, setting forth that Brower had appeared before them, and sworn that he intended sailing into France, and that he would discharge the cargo nowhere except in Emden.

3. Brower's recognizance, dated at Rochelle, 3 July 1653, together with the [master's] letter to the same effect.

4. Several examinations of Brower to the same effect.

To which we reply,—

1. Why listen to words when we see the facts? We see plainly that all this is fraudulently pretended that, beneath this mask of Emden, pirates may safely ply their trade in England, the United Provinces, and wherever they please, contrary to the

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decrees of the highest powers. But this mask was stript off, and the fraud exposed by the trusty merchants of Flushing, Bateman, Peters, and Benuse, and several others, who claimed the vessel entire for themselves from these impostors, and compounded with us by consent of the Lords Justices for her, and paid no mean sum of money for her release; and by virtue thereof, and of the judges' decree, took possession of her and brought her to Flushing, and there kept her 6 months, and still keep her, Dove and Brower not daring to claim her. But Dove's counsel said nothing, and Brower, on the discovery of the fraud, instantly fled. As they were plainly taken in a falsehood touching the ship, it may be fairly presumed they told a lie as to her cargo.

2. We reply all that is afore said, which is of any importance, rests on Brower's honesty, whereas he is a man of scarcely any reputation, thrice perjured, and who has been caught contradicting himself in this very case. In one place he swears that Dove bought this ship of Peter Morleux and Arnold Beake, London merchants; in another, that he does not know of whom he bought it. At one time that she was laden with nothing but ballast; elsewhere that he discharged part of her cargo, viz., cheeses, at Charente. At one time that he had received no commission from any London merchant; at another, that he had received a letter and orders at Rochelle from Christian Paulus Senthill to bring his ship and her cargo from Rochelle to the Downs, which he obeyed.

3. We reply that it is incredible that Dove should allow Budæus Matthew, who claimed the ship and its cargo in his own name, to remain 9 whole weeks after claiming her without letters of procuration, or that the wine ordered by the judges to be sold should have been lost for want of his consent to its sale. Finally, we have only to suppose that somebody purposed, for the sake of gain, the free exercise of trade in prohibited places, as too many nowadays do, and at once all these recognizances, charters, testimonals, and safe conducts become the necessary and ordinary resources of fraud.

They [*i.e.* Dove and Brower] further produce the decree of the Court of Admiralty in London, asserting that the ship with her cargo belongs to Dove and his partners in Emden:—

We reply that, even if it be not granted that Dove had $\frac{1}{16}$ of her, which he afterwards sold to Brower, and that his partners still wished to enjoy the liberty of Emden in the general disturbance of affairs, yet not one of them was a citizen of Emden; most belonged to Flushing, and the rest to London, as appears from the replies of Lewis Bateman and the rest of the Flushing merchants. The ship belonged to them, and was formally sold by the master at London, as they also assert, and a formal sale is a real sale. We add that it was sold to the English merchants Arnold Beake and Christian Paul Senthill, as is plain from Brower's deposition, and plainer still from the examination of Cassen Janson of Flushing, who sold her in

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England to Englishmen, and plainest of all from the original deed of sale, which Bateman and the rest confess is in the said master's hands. We had two decrees of the Court for the examination and production of this deed, but cannot yet get the benefit thereof.

2. The real names of several owners, being Londoners, have been erased from this deed, and in their place, inserted in another hand, these words, "Emden merchants," in order that a decision might be given in accordance therewith, instead of a just award according to the laws. On the contrary, we affirm that even before the sale in London, the real owners of a great part of the vessel were Englishmen, and after the sale, of the whole. In proof whereof we produce,—

1. Two authentic depositions of Ralph Hutton, an English parliamentary captain, who formerly took this ship, and John Gardiner, his lieutenant.

2. Brewer's confession in his examination in this very Court of Admiralty at London, that she had been sold to English merchants, and that the present master received orders from Christian Paul Senthill, a London merchant, to bring his ship to the Downs, contrary to the former order of Dove. Nevertheless he complied with the latter order from the London merchant, and brought his ship to the Downs, where it was taken on the very coast of England. This was not the direct road to Emden.

Note the astuteness of the master after receiving the latter message. In the pass he obtained from the High Admiral of France, he entirely omitted what is usually inserted, the name of the place to which he was bound, that he might freely land at the Downs, or wherever he pleased.

3. We produce the depositions of Lewis Bateman and his partners, and earnestly entreat that the original deed of sale, which they themselves confess is in the hands of the master at Flushing, may be produced in Court, side by side with the former decrees of the Lords.

To these might be added several strong presumptions; as for example, Dove's negligence in a matter so important, plainly showing that the cause does not concern him at all.

Thus we conclude that a ship which is not free makes a cargo also not free. If this vessel be not an Emden vessel, but is either a Flushing vessel, trading at times with the English, after the prohibition of the High and mighty states; or if it is an English vessel, as it has been sold in England, and is owned by Englishmen, for the re-purchase of which the former owners, inhabitants of Flushing, have themselves stipulated, certainly neither the ship nor its cargo can be deemed free.

I humbly beg the Lord Advocate of the Treasury and Lord Gruter that this blind product of a hasty pen, for re-reading of which, before the departure of the post, time scarcely sufficed, may be reduced into better form, and that by their endeavours, the examination of Brower in England, which was handed over to the counsel of Flettvell,

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may be given up to be translated into German, and that the deed of sale in the hands of Cassen Janson may be produced, without which I do not see how we can proceed to judgment. [*Latin*, 2 *pages*.]

104. List of the stations of ships of the several rates on the summer guard:—

7 in the Soundings.
7 from Cape Finisterre to the bottom of the Bay.
5 on the coast of Ireland and the Severn.
4 on the guard, and attending convoys between Plymouth and Scilly.
2 between the Start and Isle of Wight.
2 about the said isle.
2 at the Beachy.
4 between Lynn deeps and the Downs.
3 ,, ,, and Tynemouth Bar.
3 on the coast of Scotland.
1 for the North Sea fishery.
2 ,, Greenland ,,
27 in the Downs.

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105. Verses on the state of England:—

"Is nott distracted England strangly dead?
For who can say shee lives that wants a head?
Shee whom the hand of Kinges could onely guide
Is growne a hobby-hors for boyes to ride;
And Parlaments are soddainly unknitt
Like dust that's swept from where their worships sitt.
Sleepe is so heavie on that stupid lande
That she can bear affronts from every hand.
When men would see the follies of our age
She, like a chained Ape, comes on the stage.
Up for the Saints! up for Presbytery;
Up for Lenthall, up for Lambert; and lye
Down for Kinge Charles: Good Ape, who onely can
Derive a title both from God and man.
Tears, give mee way to write! This is the grave
Of all hir Honours; England is a slave."

106. Latin verses in the same hand addressed to the Kings of France and Spain:—

Invictis Galliarum Hispaniarumque Regibus.
Protrepticon.

Horrida belligerâ squalebant regna ruinâ,
Heu; consanguineo fœda cruore nimis.
Damnastis tandem saturum jam sanguine Martem
Sanat Bellonae vulnera grata Venus.
Ambit Iber pacem, dum tu connubia Galle
Inter utrumque sacer fædera sancit Hymen.

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Unio sceptrorum hæc late nunc arbiter Orbis
Gentibus assurgat ponere jura reis!
Altera nempe manent vos depugnanda duella
Herculeos enses stringite, monstra vocant.
Barbara Tartarei sceleris luat Anglia pœnas
In Rege expulso vestra ruina latet
Regia regali cædes sic vendice freta
Lustratus merito sanguine, sanguis erit.
Auspiciis vestris, solium conscendat avitum
Carolus! Hæc vestrâ digna trophæa manu.
Subdite perpetuis solida hæc fundamina sceptris
Vincere quod Regem quam stabilire minus.

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107. "Meditatio de dissidio ecclesiastico inter Evangelicos tollendo. Caiodouni, Typis Joachimi Georgi Rhelii, 1654." Tractate, dividing the defenders of religion into 4 classes:—

1. Those who defend it from judgment only.
2. Those who mingle affection with judgment.
3. Those who act from mere affection.
4. Those who are influenced by neither judgment nor affection, but by a love of litigation.

Remarks upon the conduct of each of these classes, and arguments in favour of a general synod, consisting of one or more deputies from every Christian monarchy, prince, or State. Inc. Quatuor mihi videntur. Fin. Quod faxit Deus. Amen. [*Pamphlet,* 6 *pages.* 4*to.* 36 *paragraphs, printed. Latin.*]*

108. "Ratio constitutæ nuper reipublicæ Angliæ, Scotiæ, et Hibirniæ unà cum insulis aliisque locis ejus ditioni subjectis, penes Dominum Protectorem et Parlamentum. In quâ ostenditur, constitionem hanc non modò priorum mutationum rationibus convenire, et ex illis necessariò sequi, sed iis etiam quæ à Parlamento et exercitu declarata palam atque acta sunt prorsus esse consentaneain. Quæ quidem sensus atque judicium hominum complurium est, qui per has omnes rerum inclinationes ac motus, et Dei et patriæ causæ, fideles atque integros se præstitere. Ex Anglico in Latinum versa."

Londini, Excudebat T. Newcomb, 1654. [*Printed pamphlet of* 62 *pages.*]

* In the King's pamphlets, British Museum, (E. 830, No. 2) is one entitled, Concordiæ inter Evangelicos quærendæ consilia, by John Dury. March 10, 1654.—ED.

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109. Narrative of the purchasing and disposal of part of London House, the palace of the late Bishop of London, by the late Rich. Coysh, citizen and skinner of London. That on the debate about raising money for arrears of the Scots' army, Coysh did his utmost to prevent bishops' lands being sold, that they might be employed for uses of piety and charity, but being overruled, he in 1647 bought part of London House, viz., the Gatehouse, great hall, parlour with lobby, servants' dining room and kitchen—all ruinous, having been latterly used for a prison—and several yards. For these he gave 817*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and for the ground on which they stood, 1,201*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.* at 13 years' purchase. He pulled it down, built 15 new houses, and let or sold the rest of the ground, setting aside 84*l.* a year for charities, viz., 42*l.* for a lectureship at St. Gregory's church, 8*l.* and 16*l.* for the poor of London, 10*l.* for exhibitions for poor scholars at the University, and 8*l.* for the propagation of the Gospel among the Indians in New England. He died in Jan. 1652, and by will he left $\frac{1}{3}$ of the rest of the purchase to his widow, and $\frac{2}{3}$ to his son Elisha, who has settled it on his wife. [*Printed broadside.*]

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1654.			I. 75.	I. 112.
March 1	Pass - -	For Martin Neale to and from Ireland - - - - - - - -	146	—
„ 6	Wm. Thomas, late keeper of the wardrobe, Windsor.	To deliver to Clement Kinnersley for his Highness' use the hangings in his charge - -		14
„ „	Trustees, &c. for sale of Crown goods.	„ „ the rich hangings and other goods -	146 152 186	14
„ „	Serjeant Edw. Birkhead.	„ „ all hangings and wardrobe goods in the Parliament house.		14
„ „	Wm. Legg -	„ „ all hangings and wardrobe goods in his charge.		15
„ „	Gualter Frost -	To issue on directions of Pickering, Strickland, and Jones, the 1,000*l.* to be assigned to him by the Commissioners for Inspections.	153, 186	—
„ 7	Lieutenant of the Tower.	To liberate John Archer, prisoner in the Tower, on security to return on 10 June if required, and to be forthcoming on notice.	156	15
„ 13	Comrs. for Prize Goods.	To deliver to Mr. Kirby his Highness' servant, 5 tuns of French wines, part of a larger quantity to be delivered custom free for his Highness' use.	164	—
„ 15	Thos. Fauconberg, receiver-general.	To pay to the sums due as augmentations to the following ministers, viz.: Allen Ackworth of Rochester, — Taylor and his son, and Mr. Player, all of Canterbury.	167, 187	—
„ „	Pass - -	For Don Francisco Romaro Villaquizan, envoy from Leopold William, archduke of Austria, to Flanders, with one gentleman, his retinue and baggage.	174	16
„ „	License - -	For him to transport 6 English horses for his own use, custom free - - -	174	16
„ 17	Pass - -	For Rowland Bellasis and his servant to France - - - - - -	174	16
„ „	License - -	For him to transport 2 horses for France, custom free - - - - -	174	16
„ 22	Pass - -	For the Hopewell, French built, but belonging to merchants of London, to Fara, St. Lucar, and other parts of Spain and Portugal, renewing a pass of the late Council of State of 27 Dec. 1652.	168	17
„ 23	Col. Berkstead -	To send Lieut.-Col. John Lilburne, his prisoner, in safe custody to Portsmouth, to be put on a vessel, and transported to Jersey.	—	17
„ 28	„ -	For the Hope of Rouen to sail thence to London, laden with French wines - - -	183	18
„ „	Comrs. of Customs and Excise.	To permit the delivery at London, free from duty, of 40 tuns of French wine, for the Protector's use, out of the Hope of Rouen, on petition of Fras. Fouguant, Lord du Mesnil, near Rouen.	181, 189	19
„ „	Thos. Fauconberg	To pay the augmentation due to Dr. John Arrowsmith, late master of St. John's, Cambridge, any order of restraint notwithstanding.	189	—

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1654.			I. 75.	I. 112.
March 28	Thos. Fauconberg	Like order for Sydrach Simpson, master of Pembroke Hall, Cambridge - - -	193	167, 187
„ „	Pass - -	For the St. Katherine of Horn, laden with 40 tuns of French wine for his Highness, from France to London.	—	32
„ „	Comrs. of Customs	To allow the said wines to be unladen, duty free - - - - - - -	—	31
„ „	License - -	For Col. Heane, Cornet Brockhurst, and Capt. Norris to transport 15 horses from Jersey to France.	191, 205	—
„ „	„ - -	For 60 chests, boxes, &c., 4 beds, 30 chairs, 6 stools, 4 hhds. of sack, 2 butts of sugar and spice, 6 barrels of soap, 6 of butter, 1 of rice, and 2 of potatoes, and 20 cheeses, to be transported to Scotland for Gen. Monk.	205	19
„ „	Protection from impress.	For 77 harpooners and steersmen, and others, useful for killing whales, at request of the Muscovy Company, Mr. Horth and company, Mr. Whitwell and company, and the new adventurers of Hull, all adventurers to Greenland.	206	19
„ „	Serj. Dendy -	To apprehend — Metham and bring him before Council - - - - - -	—	20
„ 31	Serjeant-at-arms -	To apprehend and bring before Council Wm. Fletcher, author of a libellous pamphlet, mentioned in the examination of Geo. Horton, this day read.	198	—
April 3	Comrs. of Customs and Excise.	To allow 1,600 yds. of red cloth for Gen. Monk's regiment to pass free to Scotland -	206, 210	21
„ 4	Pass - -	For Henrick van Poser, a nobleman's son of the reformed religion in Silesia, to visit the universities and other places of note in this nation.	211	21
„ 6	Serjeant Dendy -	To discharge John Spittlehouse, on a report by Mr. Scobell, clerk of Council - -	223	—
„ „	„ -	„ Geo. Horton and Wm. Huby - - - - - - -	223	—
„ 7	„ -	To search the house of John Rogers, minister, for books and papers, and deliver them to Sec. Thurloe. [*Vol.* 69, *No.* 30*a.*]	—	—
„ 14	License - -	For Capt. Chas. Howard to export 6 horses - - - - - - -	241, 248	21
„ „	Protection from impress.	For 14 harpooners entertained by Rich. Batson and company for the voyage to Greenland -	247	22
„ „	Col. Barkstead -	To discharge Thos. Bunce, prisoner in the Tower - - - - - - -	248	23
„ „	Serj. Dendy -	To apprehend Jos. Rigby and bring him before Council to answer for contempt - -	243, 248	23
„ 17	License - -	For Signor Amerigo Salvetti, agent for the Great Duke of Tuscany, to export 6 horses, customs free, for the Duke's brother.	228	22
„ 21	Capt. Kelsey of the Pearl.	To receive Lady Morgan, wife of Walter Strickland, with her servants, baggage, &c., at the Brill in Holland, and transport them to London.	255	23
„ „	Pass - -	For Chris. Pickering to Holland, and thence to accompany Lady Morgan to England -	255	24
			I. 74.	
„ 27	License - -	For Col. Rob. Hammond to transport 2 horses to France - - - - -	69, 75	24

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			I. 74.	I. 112.
1654. April 27	Serj. Dendy -	To release David Baree, a prisoner in his custody - - - - - -	75	—
„ 30	„ -	To apprehend John Willoughby of Grindon, co. Northampton, and bring him before Council	85, 86	24
			I. 75.	
May 2	Capt. Manley -	To pay to Gualter Frost, for Council's contingencies, the money due on his contract for the postage of letters. [*I.* 105, *p.* 39.]	264	—
„ 8	Pass - -	For Sir Theodore Mayerne's lady, with servants, trunks, and goods, without search, to Holland and back.	276	25
„ „	„ - -	For 4 gentlemen of the Dutch ambassadors to France - - - - -	276, 286, 299	—
„ „	License - -	„ „ to transport 4 horses - - - - -	276, 286, 290	—
„ „	„ - -	For Signor Laurenzo Paluzzi, resident from Venice, to export 6 horses, on Sec. Thurloe's signifying his Highness's pleasure.	278	—
„ 9	Pass - -	For Lady Eliz. Willoughby, with 2 maids and 2 men servants beyond seas, for the Spa -	285	25
„ „	„ - -	For Sir Walter Vane, with 2 servants, to return to his charge in Holland - - -	281, 290	—
„ „	„ - -	For John Butler of Watton, co. Herts, to go to France - - - - -	281, 290	—
„ „	License - -	„ „ to export with him one gelding - - -	281, 290	—
„ 10	Comrs. of Customs	To pay to Dr. Wm. Clerk, Dr. John Godolphin, and Chas. George Cock, the 3 judges of the Admiralty, quarterly, the salary of 400*l.* from their appointment by Parliament, 30 July 1653, with arrears. [*I.* 105, *p.* 46.]	290	—
„ „	Serj. Dendy -	To take John Willoughby into custody, and bring him before Council, with a writ of assistance.	284, 290	25
„ 12	Pass - -	For Austin Belson and his servant to Germany, to the Spa - - - -	—	26
„ 16	„ - -	For Rob. Pierrepoint and his 2 servants, Thos. Gawen, gent., and Thos. Yeomans, beyond seas.	—	26
„ 19	Lieutenant of the Tower.	To remand Thos. Bunce, liberated on bail, to be his prisoner - - - -	310, 313	—
„ „	Pass - -	For Cornelius Jacobs Hardia, a Swede, from Havre de Grace to Cadiz, and thence to Dunkirk, with his ship the City of Staden.	317	26
„ „	„ -	John Bellasis and Henry his son beyond seas - - - - - -	—	27
„ „	„ - -	For Lord Kensington to France - - - - - - - -	313	—

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1654.			I. 75.	I. 113.	I. 112.
May 19	License - -	For Lord Kensington to transport 3 horses - - - - - -	313	—	—
„ 21	Col. Barkstead -	To receive Gilbert Gerard prisoner in the Tower, to be tried for high treason and other crimes.	319	—	—
„ „	„ -	To receive Hum. Bagaley, John Gerard, Thos. Tudor, John Jones, and Sidney Fotherby, for like crimes.	319	—	—
„ 24	Pass - -	For the ship Globe, laden with ammunition and provisions for the forces in Ireland, to Dublin.	321	—	27
„ „	Serj. Dendy or Col. Wm. Goffe.	To apprehend Wm. Ashburnham, with his papers and writings, and bring him in custody to Whitehall.	—	—	27
„ 29	License - -	For Thos. Kirby to export 2 geldings - - - - - - -	326	—	28
„ „	„ - -	For the Marquis of Montpouillan, brother to the Marquis of Cuynac, to export his 6 coach horses, being outlandish geldings, and 2 other geldings to France, custom free. [*Last clause added* 28 *June.*]	326, 401	—	28
„ 31	Pass - -	For Wm. Spencer and his wife, with 2 men and a maid, for 3 months, beyond seas for the Spa, to take place after the days limited by the order sent to the ports.	333	—	28
June 2	Thos. Fauconberg -	To pay to Dr. John Littleton, executor of Wm. Littleton, late chief justice in North Wales, all the arrears due to him at his death. [*I.* 105, *p.* 59.]	356	—	—
„ „	„ -	To pay to Edw. Bulstrode, now chief justice in North Wales, all arrears due to him. [*I.* 105, *p.* 59.]	356	—	—
„ „	Serj. Dendy -	To receive into custody Wm. Hebditch, Wm. Doran, and Paul Roche, taken at sea as pirates, and deliver them to the keeper of the Marshalsea.	342	—	29
„ „	Keeper of the Marshalsea.	To receive and keep them till further order - - - - - -	342	7	—
„ „	Pass - -	For Hen. Collier, merchant, to Dunkirk, where his family resides, on request of Col. Montague.	348	7	30
„ „	„ - -	For Thos. Talbot and his servant, Rob. Gray, to France, after the days limited by the late order to the ports.	333	8	30
„ „	Keeper of Bridewell.	To receive Hannah Trapnell and keep her till further order - - -	—	7	30
„ „	[Serj. Dendy] -	To take Sir Rich. Willis into custody, and deliver him to the Lieutenant of the Tower.	—	8	31
„ „	Col. J. Berkstead -	To receive Willis, committed for high treason and other crimes - - -	—	8	31
„ „	License - -	For the ambassadors of the States General to transport 24 horses, custom free -	341	—	—
„ „	„ -	For Lord Barchel, receiver general of Holland „ 4 „ „ -	348	—	—
„ 3	Provost-marshal of Middlesex.	To apprehend — Pinchback and Tho. Chester, and bring them before Council -	—	9	31

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1654.			I. 75.	I. 113.	I. 112.
June 6	Pass - -	For Frances, wife of Rob. Bowes, and John and Bridget Harvy, with a child and maid, to Holland.	349	9	32
" "	" - -	For Jas. Watts to Holland - - - - - - -	349	9	33
" "	" - -	For Hen. Gardiner beyond seas - - - - - - -	350	9	33
" 8	" - -	For Thos. Davall, wife, and 2 children, to Amsterdam, on the President's desire.	353	10	33
" "	" - -	At request of Maj.-Gen. Lambert, for Hen. Bellasis, Wm. Lister, Rutland Sanderson, Rich. Colbrand, and Wm. Farrington to France.	352	10	34
" 9	License - -	For Wm. Lister to export 2 horses to France - - - - - -	352	10	33
" 12	Pass - -	For Lieut.-Col. Dolman with 2 servants to Holland - - - -	349	11	34
" 13	Serj. Dendy -	To apprehend Pansey Brograve, deputy to auditor Dorrell, on information of words spoken, and bring him before Council.	364	11	35
" "	" -	To apprehend Thos. Wilkes, and bring him before Council, for speaking against the Protector.	364	12	35
" "	" -	To apprehend the Earl of Oxford and Geo. Porter, to prevent the mischiefs that may arise from a quarrel between them.	366	12	35
" "	Pass - -	For Hen. Berry, lieutenant to Capt. Kittleby, to Holland - - - -	353 } 366 }	12	36
" "	Governor of Windsor Castle.	To send up in very safe custody a suspicious person, calling himself John Smith, said to be apprehended there, with his examinations.	366	13	36
" 15	Pass - -	For Wm. Aston, merchant of London, to Hamburg, on his petition and the desire of Wm. Wheeler.	377	—	—
" 16	" - -	For Fras. Moore to export 2 horses for the use of Maj.-Gen. Lambert - -	377	13	37
" "	" - -	For Thomas Lord Savage, 6 servants, horses, &c. to Yorkshire and back - -	—	14	37
" 20	" - -	For Nich. Stanley of Windsor New Forest and Geo. Stanley of Southampton to Holland.	—	14	37
" 22	" - -	For Sam. Taylor to Calais, Dieppe, or any other port in France, at request of the President.	388	14	38
" "	" - -	For Joan Trevillian to Holland or Flanders on her petition, presented by Maj.-Gen. Desborow.	390	15	38
" 23	License - -	For M. Moseroles to export 4 horses from Dover to France, the President signifying his Highness' pleasure therefor, custom free.	388 } 394 }	15	38
" 26	" - -	For Wm. Dale to export 2 horses from Dover to France, at request of Col. Jones.	388	15	38
" 28	Pass - -	For Hen. Stapelton and servant beyond sea, moved by Maj.-Gen. Lambert -	401	—	—
" 30	" - -	For Col. Rob. Sydney to Holland, with his servant - - - -	406	16	39

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1654.			I. 75.	I. 113.	I. 112.
June 30	License - -	For Col. Rob. Sydney to export 4 horses for his own use - - - -	406	16	39
July 4	Col. Barkstead -	To deliver Don Pantaleon de Saa, prisoner in the Tower, to the sheriff of Middlesex.	415	17	39
„ „	Sheriff of Middlesex.	To receive him into charge, in order to his trial - - - - -	415	17	39
„ „	License - -	For Lewis Gillart, merchant, to transport from Rye to France the 4 horses for which a warrant was granted 17 May last, for the ambassadors extraordinary of the States General.	—	18	40
„ „	Col. Barkstead -	To discharge Wm. Davenant, prisoner in the Tower - - - -	415	18	40
„ „	Serj. Dendy -	To apprehend Alex. Ackhurst, vice-president of Trinity College, and bring him before Council to answer objections.	414	—	—
„ 6	Army Com. -	To issue warrants to the Treasurers-at-war for payment to the forces in Scotland of 10,000*l.*, paid to them by the Gurney House Treasurers. [*I.* 105, *p.* 74.]	417	—	—
„ „	Serjeant Dendy -	To repair to Bedford, receive from the keeper of the prison [Geo.] Abdy, committed by the Court of Sessions, and bring him before Council.	—	19	40
„ 13	Capt. John Manley	To pay to Gualter Frost, for Council's contingencies, all the arrears due on his contract for the post office. [*I.* 105, *p.* 74.]	429	—	—
„ „	Pass - -	For And. Cole to Holland, on petition of John Dixon - - - -	} 429	20	41
„ „	„ - -	For Lady Mary Stafford, with 2 men and 2 maids, &c. to Holland - -			
„ „	„ - -	For John Williams, late servant to the Earl of Clanrickard, beyond seas - -			
„ „	Col. Whichcot -	To release John Simpson, prisoner in Windsor Castle - - - -	430	21	42
„ 14	Pass - -	For Capt. Isaac Ashley and his wife, with 2 men and 2 maids, to Holland -	430	21	41
„ „	„ - -	For Wm. Morgan to Dieppe, on recommendation of Sam. Hartlib - -	431	22	42
„ 19	License - -	For Edw. Pickering to transport a stoned horse from Dover to France - -	431	23	42
„ 26	Keeper of Bridewel, London.	To release Hannah Trapnell - - - - - - - -	443	24	43
„ „	Serjeant Dendy -	To apprehend John Rogers, and bring him before Council - - -	443	24	43
„ „	Pass - -	For John Owen and Rich. Rowland, students of Jesus College Cambridge, to Holland.	443	24	43
„ „	„ - -	For Wm. Dormer, co. Oxon, Frances his wife, a man and 2 maids, to France and back.	444	25	44
„ 27	„ - -	For Emanuel de Geer, a Swiss, with 2 servants, beyond sea, to return to his country.	—	25	44
„ 28	„ - -	For Thos. Moreton to Holland, at request of Sir Hen. Vane, sen. - - -	455	26	44
„ „	License - -	For Lord Broghill to transport 2 horses with a groom from Gravesend to Holland.	455	26	45

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1654.			I. 75.	I. 113.	I. 112.
July 31	License -	For John Bulstrode, of Dorchester, to transport 300 tons of wool to Jersey -	536	—	—
Aug. 1	Pass - -	For Sir John Holland, 2 servants, and baggage to Flanders - - -	463	—	—
„	License - -	For him to export 2 horses - - - - - - - -	463	—	—
„ 2	„ - -	For Lieut.-Col. Levingston, servant to the States general of the Low Countries, to Scotland and back.	464	33	46, 52
„ „	„ - -	For Sir Edw. Widdrington, on his petition, and for his health, with 2 servants, to any port of Flanders.	464	28	47
„ „	„ - -	For Lieut. Nich. Haugh and his servant to return to his charge in Holland, on desire of Col. John Cromwell.	464	29	47
„ „	„ - -	For Sam Molins and 2 servants to France - - - - - - -	466	29	48
„ „	License - -	„ „ to export 2 horses from Dover or Rye to France - -	466	29	48
„ 3	„ - -	For Leenaert Claessen Bruynnigh, with his servant, trunk, &c., to Holland -	467	30	48
„ 4	Serjeant Dendy -	To apprehend Step. Michell, and bring him before Council - - -	—	30	49
„ „	Col. Barkstead -	To discharge Wm. Davenant, prisoner in the Tower - - - -	—	31	49
„ „	License - -	For Signor Pauluzzi, agent from Venice, to export 4 horses from Dover -	—	31	49
„ 10	Col. Barkstead -	To release Major Edw. Broughton, prisoner in the Tower, he having given security, with 2 others, not to act against the present Government, and having provided, as ordered, for his sisters out of his father's estate.	477	32	50
„ „	License - -	For Edw. Pickering to export a horse from Dover to France - - -	473	32	51
„ 14	Pass - -	For Wm. Tyrrell, employed by Thos. Buck, to France - - - -	486	33	51
„ 15	Serjeant Dendy -	To take Wm. Cham into custody, and bring him before Council - - -	—	33	51
„ 16	„ -	To apprehend Col. Fras Cocke and Wm. Jeay or Joy, and bring them before Council for getting 10*l.* from — Dean on promise to obtain him employment from his Highness.	488	34	52
„ „	Pass - -	For Rich. Fallowfield and servant to the Spa, for his health, on his petition. Signed 16 May 1655.	487	35	53
„ „	„ - -	For Chas. Dumoisnier, Sir Theod. Mayerne's nephew, his son, and 2 servants to France.	485	35	53
„ „	„ - -	For Rich. Tempest to France - - - - - - - -	487	34	52
„ „	License - -	For Chas. Dumoisnier to transport 4 horses from Rye to France - - -	485	36	53
„ 17	„ - -	For M. Ant. Robard to transport 3 horses from Rye to France - - -	491	37	54
„ „	The keeper of —	To liberate Wm. Tasborogh and John Gillett from custody - - -	491	37	54
„ „	Serjeant Dendy -	„ Chris. Dowding from custody - - - - - - -	492	38	54

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1654.			I. 75.	I. 113.	I. 112.
Aug. 18	Pass - -	For the St. Lewis of Dieppe to Dieppe, she being restored to the master, Rob. Michell, on his paying for her according to appraisement.	—	38	55
„ 21	License - -	For Edw. Stone to export 3 horses from Harwich, on desire of Lord Hen. Cromwell.	516	39	55
„ „	„ - -	For Don Pimontelli, late ambassador in Sweden from the King of Spain, to export 6 horses from Dover, at request of Lord Whitelock.	520	41	55
„ „	„ - -	For Peter Barr to transport 2 horses from Rye to France - - - -	522	42	—
„ 22	„ - -	For James, Duke of Richmond and Lenox, to transport 6 geldings or 2 stone horses from Rye to France.	526	39	56
„ 23	„ - -	For John Taylor to transport 6 horses from Gravesend to Sweden - -	520	40	56
„ „	„ - -	For John Roberts for himself and brother, children of Lord Roberts of Truro, to transport 2 horses from Rye.	520	40	56
„ 24	„ - -	For Nich. Baxter to transport 3 or 7 horses from Dover, on request of Sec. Thurloe	516 533	— 48	— 58
„ „	Pass - -	For Geo. Rosse, his wife, son, daughter, maid, and baggage, to Holland - -	528	41	57
„ 25	„ - -	For Thomas, eldest son, and Henry, another son of Sir Thos. Slingsby, and Thos. Saunderson, their servant; also Hen Bethell and servant, beyond seas.	534	43	57
„ „	———	For release of Hen. Harlow, prisoner - - - - - - -	534	—	—
„ 28	Pass - -	For Hannibal Sehstedt, Lord of Norargergard, Knight of the Order of the King of Denmark, with train and baggage, to England, to go to the Bath.	520	42	58
„ „	„ - -	For Edw. Stone and servant, from Harwich to Rotterdam - - - -	536	43	58
„ 30	Wm. Thomas, late keeper of the wardrobe, Windsor.	To deliver all hangings and wardrobe stuff in his charge to Cl. Kinnersley, to furnish the rooms adjoining the Parliament house.	—	44	59
„ „	License - -	For John Brand to transport a horse from Gravesend - - - -	533	47	59
„ „	Pass - -	For Fras. Browne, son of Lord Montague, John Blomer, and 4 servants, beyond sea.	528	44	60
Sept. 1	Comrs. of Customs and Excise.	To allow the Ambassador Extraordinary of the United Province to import 14 hhds. of French wine, free of duty.	546	45	60
„ „	Col. Barkstead -	To discharge John Archer, Thos. Ross, Jos. Sawyer, Thos. Bunce, Jos. Barker, and Chris. Watkins, prisoners in the Tower, on security to do nothing prejudicial.	553	46	60
„ „	„ -	Like order for John Wiseman, Chas. Gerard, and John Finch - - -	553	46	61
„ „	———	To release — Hill, prisoner, on bail not to act against Government - -	554	—	—

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Date.	To	Subject.	References.		
1654.			I. 75.	I. 113.	I. 112.
Sept. 2	Mayor, &c. of Exeter.	To release John Rodren, detained in custody at Exeter on his coming from France	557	45	61
„ 4	Serjeant Dendy -	To release Wm. Cham, he having given security to surrender himself 48 hours after demand, and to do nothing prejudicial. [*Vol.* 76, *No.* 22*a*.]	554	51	61
„ 19	Pass - -	For Thos. Shamont to France, moved by Sir Gir Gilbert Pickering - -	568	47	—
„ 21	License - -	For Lord Bourdeaux, ambassador from the French King to transport 10 coach horses and 4 saddle horses, from Dover to France, custom free. [*Also Vol.* 76, *No.* 39*a*.]	373	50	62
„ 28	Pass - -	For Philip, son of Sir Chas. Herbert, beyond seas, with his servants, &c. -	575	50	63
„ „	Keeper of the Marshalsea.	To release Wm. Doran, Wm. Hebditch, and Paul Roche, taken at sea for piracy, on security to depart the State in 20 days.	557	48	62
„ 29	Col. Barkstead -	To release Gilbert or Sir Gilb. Gerard, prisoner in the Tower, on the usual security. [*Vol.* 76, *No.* 42*a*.]	568 575	49	63
Oct. 6	Comrs. of Customs	To permit the transport of 4 horses, custom free, for the Duke of Courland -	578	51	64
„ „	„ -	For the Ambassador Extraordinary of the States general to export 6 horses from Gravesend to Holland, custom free.	578	52	64
„ „	„ -	For the Ambassador Extraordinary of the States general to export 4 horses from Hull to Holland, custom free.	578	52	64
„ „	„ -	For the Ambassador Extraordinary of the States general to export 12 horses from Gravesend to Holland, custom free.	578	53	65
„ „	Pass - -	For John Shaw, son-in-law of John Ashe, and his wife and servants, beyond seas	579	54	65
„ „	License - -	„ „ to transport 2 horses from Dover -	579	53	65
„ „	„ - -	For John Russell to transport 2 horses from Rye - - - - -	579	54	66
„ 10	„ - -	To permit the deputy of the King of Denmark to transport a chest of books to the Sound, custom free.	580	54	66
„ „	Serjeant Dendy -	To apprehend — Peirson, captain of a privateer dogger boat, and bring him before Council.	579	55	66
„ „	Pass - -	For Lord Peter Jongstall, one of the ambassadors from the United Provinces, to return home.	—	56	67
„ „	License - -	To permit him to export 14 horses from Gravesend to Holland, custom free -	580	57	67
„ „	Pass - -	For Lord Lumley and servants beyond seas - - - - -	580	57	68
„ „	License - -	For Capt. Giles Horsington to export 3 horses from Dover to France - -	580	57	68
„ 12	„ - -	For Lord Bourdeaux, ambassador from the French King, to export 12 horses, custom free, from Dover to France.	582	58	68
„ 17	„ - -	For John Hinckston to transport 2 horses from Rye to France - - -	583	60	69
„ 19	Pass - -	From Geo. Ayleife, with tutor and 2 servants, beyond seas - - -	582	59	69
„ 24	„ - -	For Lord Drumlanerick and 3 servants to France, at request of Col. Lockhart -	589	61	70

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Date.	To	Subject.	References.		
16 54.			I. 75.	I. 113.	I. 112.
Nov. 2	Pass - -	For the Little Peter of Rochelle, belonging to And. Kirby, merchant of London, and manned with Frenchmen, with her lading, being goods not prohibited, from Rochelle to any port in England or Ireland, and back; on his petition.	591	61	70
,, ,,	License - -	For Wm. Parker to transport 2 geldings from Gravesend - - -	591	62	70
,, 9	Pass - -	For Hugh Cholmley and servant, beyond seas - - - - -	595	63	71
,, ,,	License - -	For him to export a nag from Rye - - - - - -	595	63	72
,, ,,	,, - -	For a nominee of Lord Commissioner Lisle to export from Rye to France 2 horses for Edw. Roper, now in France.	596	63	71
,, 15	,, - -	For export of 3 horses to France, for Rob. Rich, grandchild to the Earl of Warwick.	599	—	—
,, ,,	Pass - -	For Charles, Earl of Anglesea, to travel beyond seas with 2 servants, &c. -	599	—	—
,, ,,	,, - -	For Lord Stafford, 2nd son to the late Earl of Arundel, and 3 servants, into the Low Countries, where he has business.	599	64	72
,, ,,	License - -	For Quirinis Vander Macis, a Dutch gentleman, to export 2 geldings from Gravesend, on request of Thos. Billingsley.	599	67	73
,, ,,	,, - -	For Col. Wm. Goffe to export 2 geldings from Dover, besides 2 already allowed -	592, 599	—	74
,, 16	Pass - -	For the St. John of Dieppe, from Dieppe to Cape de Verd, and other French plantations in Africa, and back, on report of the Admiralty Committee, on petition of Jas Auzot, master. [*Vol.* 77, *No.* 22*a*.]	600	65	73
,, ,,	Col. Barkstead -	To discharge Mich. Mason, prisoner in the Tower, on security in 1,000*l.* to render himself when required, and do nothing prejudicial.	601	65	73
,, ,,	Pass - -	For the Earl of Middlesex and 6 servants, he having license to travel a year for his health.	598	66	74
,, ,,	License - -	For him to export 6 horses from Rye to France - - - - -	598	66	74
,, ,,	,, - -	For Fras. Warner to export 2 horses from Rye to France - - -	600	66	74
,, 25	Col. Barkstead -	To discharge Phil. Porter, prisoner in the Tower, on the usual security in 300*l.*, on his petition.	607	67	75
,, 28	Serjeant Dendy -	To apprehend the Earl of Anglesey, and bring him before Council, on information of a misdemeanour committed by him at York.	611	68	75
,, ,,	License - -	For John Fockin, gentleman of the Count of Sterum, to pass into Germany from Dover, with 2 horses and 10 couple of hounds for the Count.	609	68	75
Dec. 6	,, - -	For Col. Barret Lacy to export 3 geldings from Weymouth - - -	620	69	76
,, 11	,, - -	For John Hildsley ,, 2 ,, ,, Rye - - - -	620	69	76
,, 18	,, - -	For Thos. Kirby ,, 2 ,, ,, Dover - - - -	625	70	76

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Date.	To	Subject.	References.		
1654.			I. 75.	I. 113.	I. 112.
Dec. 18.	License - -	For Don Francisco Romaro Villaquizan, envoy from Leopold William, Archduke of Austria, to export the 6 mares now at Dover, into Flanders, suspending a warrant of 17 March, for 6 horses.	625	70	77
„ 19	Capt. John Fox, Governor of Pendennis Castle.	To send up John Rowe, prisoner there, in safe custody, to answer before Council	648	—	77
„ 28	Pass - -	For Wm. Pitman, Geo. Bayley, Ant. Arrant, Wm. Thompson, and Edw. Haynes, servants to the Prince of East Friesland, who brought a present of hawks to the Protector, with 2 footmen, and 6 geldings for the Prince, custom free, from Dover.	629	71	77
„ „	License - -	For Augustine Coronel Chacon, merchant of London, to export 30 tuns of wine, custom free, for the late ambassador of Portugal, according to warrants of 11 April 1654.	629	—	—
„ 30	Pass - -	For Lord Andover and 2 servants, beyond sea - - - - -	627	71	78
„ „	License - -	For Henry, Earl of Stamford, to export 3 nags from Rye - - -	629	71	78
„ „	„ - -	For Lord Broghill to „ 4 „ „ Dover - - -	627	71	78

WARRANTS of the PROTECTOR and COUNCIL for PAYMENT of MONEY.

Date.	By.	To	Object.	Sum. £ s. d.	References. I. 75.	References. I. 105.
1654. March 3	Gualter Frost - -	Sir Adam Loftus -	Arrears still unpaid, and 4*l.* a week subsistence till his accounts are stated, or till further order.	4 0 0	140, 149	21
„ 6	Col. John Barkstead -	Gualter Frost - -	For Council's contingencies - - - -	6,000 0 0	147, 152, 186	22
„ 7	Peter Evans, late receiver of South Wales.	Thos. Hughes - -	Two years' fee, as prothonotary and clerk of Pleas, cos. Brecon, Radnor, and Glamorgan.	18 0 0	183, 156	22
„ 10	Gualter Frost -	John Maidstone, steward to his Highness.	Out of the 6,000*l.* lately ordered him from the Tower	5,000 0 0	159	23
„ „	Thos. Fauconberg -	Col. Barkstead -	For two quarters' bills, ending Christmas last, for the Tower, 456*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.* and 368*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*	825 3 10	160	24
„ 16	Gualter Frost - -	Lieut.-Col. Wolsley -	For fire and candle for the guards attended by the Protector's regiment of foot.	20 0 0	146, 170, 186	23
„ „	„ - -	James Waynwright -	For a quarter's allowance to Richard Bradshaw as resident at Hamburg.	200 0 0	164, 170	24
„ „	„ - -	Robert Tatnall -	For 12 weeks' allowance from the late Council of State, for subsistence of self and family.	6 0 0	164, 170	25
„ 22	„ - -	Nicholas Bond -	To make provision for the entertainment of the Ambassador Extraordinary from the French king.	300 0 0	182	26
„ 23	Thos. Fauconberg -	Wm. Watts, co. Surrey	For present relief - - - - -	20 0 0	195	25
„ „	„ „ -	Thomas Smithsby -	For disbursements about the house and gardens at Hampton Court.	70 13 2	195	27
„ „	Gualter Frost - -	Sarah Potter, widow -	$\frac{1}{3}$ for herself and $\frac{2}{3}$ for her six children, the clerks of Council to see it secured.	250 0 0	159, 186, 195	28
„ „	Thos. Fauconberg -	John Haggit - -	Year's salary as chief justice of cos. Carmarthen, Pembroke, and Cardigan, instead of payment by the Commissioners of Customs.	250 0 0	152, 180, 187, 206	28
„ „	„ „ -	John Corbet - -	Year's salary as chief justice of cos. Glamorgan, Brecon, and Radnor.	250 0 0	152, 180, 187, 206	28
„ „	„ „ -	Henry Zinzan *alias* Alexander, equerry to the late King.	In full of all demands, on his petition - -	150 0 0	158, 186, 195	29

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.	References.	
				£ s. d.	I. 75.	I. 105.
1654. March 29	Gualter Frost - -	Nicholas Bond -	For his disbursements for entertainment of the ambassador extraordinary from the States General.	87 6 11¼	172, 195	29
" "	" - -	" -	For pains and service as steward at the said entertainment for the ambassadors.	30 0 0	172, 195	—
" "	" - -	John Pell - -	One quarter's salary as mathematical lecturer -	50 0 0	—	27
" "	" -	William Wright and Hugh Peters.	To remain in their hands till the tomb for Lord Ireton be erected, being in full of what remains due for it.	20 0 0, 32 0 0	—	30
" 31	Col. John Barkstead -	Treasurers-at-war -	For the service of Scotland - - - -	20,000 0 0	205	31
" "	Treasurers for the Committee of Accounts.	Sir John Trevor, Lancelot Lake, and the coal farm lessees.	Balance in repayment of loan to Thos. Ledgard, who has paid in his balance to the said treasury.	1,409 4 9	188, 210	31
" "	" " -	Thos. Fauconberg -	On like account. [*See warrants*, 23 *Feb. and letter* 17 *March, p.* 36, *suprà.*]	2,357 18 9	188, 210	32
April 3	Commissioners for Prize goods.	Col. John Hewson -	On two debentures for service in England - -	1,832 9 3	210	33
" 5	Thos. Fauconberg -	Dame Margaret Hungerford.	In full, with interest of a debt due to Rich. Aldsworth, on bond by Sir John Danvers and Hugh Audley, for the service of Parliament in co. Wilts. [*Also Vol.* 69, *No.* 13*a.*]	800 0 0	—	34
" 7	Gualter Frost - -	Richard Hampden -	For cloth for coats of the State's watermen - -	36 12 6	364	34
" 14	Col. Richard Sankey, treasurer for probate of wills.	John Embree - -	For repairing and fitting of Whitehall - -	500 0 0	235, 238, 248	35
" "	Thos. Fauconberg	Col. Robert Hammond -	On an order of Parliament, allowing him 400*l.* a year till other provision was made for him. Renewed 3 Aug. and 10 Aug. 1654.	200 0 0	240, 248, 469, 478	35
" "	Gualter Frost - -	William Dalton -	For charges, &c. about the disposal of two children left in Whitehall.	5 0 0	248	36
" "	" - -	Nicholas Bond -	For service as steward at the entertainment of the ambassador extraordinary of the French king.	30 0 0	217, 248	36

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.	References.	
				£ s. d.	I. 75.	I. 105.
1654. April 14	Gualter Frost - -	Nicholas Bond - -	For balance of the expenses of the said entertainment.	57 11 4¼	217, 248	37
„ „	Capt. Hen. Hatsell -	Mat. Lock and Jas. Chetwind.	For their salaries as clerks at the Irish and Scotch Committee from 22 June 1653 to the end of their sitting, and for entering their transactions up to 23 March last.	73 10 0, 37 10 0	248	37
„ „	„ „ -	Wm. Rowe -	1¼ years' salary as under clerk to the said Committee. These 2 warrants to be paid from the product of provisions sent for the reducing of Jersey.	20 0 0	248	37
„ 25	Comrs. of Customs -	Gualter Frost - -	On the account of Council's contingencies, to be issued for the Protector's use.	6,000 0 0	257	38
„ 27	Gualter Frost - -	Mr. Maidstone, steward for his Highness.	For the use of the Lord Protector - - -	6,000 0 0	257	38
May 2	„ - -	Col. Barkstead -	Expenses of conducting Lieut.-Col. John Lilburne to Jersey.	13 8 7	262, 275	—
„ 3	„ - -	Lieut.-Col. John Roseworme.	One quarter's salary as engineer-general - -	45 10 0	268	39
„ „	„ - -	Phillip Starkey -	For service as master cook in the entertainment of the ambassadors from the States General.	20 0 0	172, 275	41
„ „	„ - -	„ -	For service as master cook in the entertainment of the ambassador from the French king.	20 0 0	218, 275	41
„ 5	Col. Rich. Sankey, treasurer for probate of wills.	Earl of Clanrickard -	Being the remainder of 1,200*l.* ordered by Parliament, in full of all demands.	600 0 0	275, 271	40
„ „	Gualter Frost - -	Wm. Astell - -	For special service - - - - -	40 0 0	267, 275	42
„ „	„ - -	8 clerks and other officers named.	For salaries and allowances for attending committees of the late Parliament.	134 0 8	275	42
„ „	Capt. Hen. Hatsell -	Wm. Rowe - -	For service and attendance on some affairs of England and Scotland for five months, he being now dismissed from employment in the Irish and Scotch Committees. [*Also I.* 74, *p.* 76.]	150 0 0	275	43

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.			References.	
				£	s.	d.	I. 75.	I. 105.
1654. May 9	Comrs. of Customs -	Admiralty Comrs. -	To pay for 1,000 tents and 1,000 prs. of shoes for Col. Alured's forces, including 203 tents for Col. Pride.	1,100	0	0	272, 286	44
" "	" " -	" -	To pay for tents, &c., the 1,100*l.* not sufficing -	200	0	0	279, 290	45
" 10	Gualter Frost - -	Clemt. Kinnersley -	For furnishing Sir Abraham Williams' house for reception of the Dutch and French ambassadors.	25	8	6	266, 271, 290	45
" 11	" - -	Earl of Kildare's children.	Charge of their voyage to Ireland - - -	20	0	0	296	47
" "	" - -	Marchmond Needham -	For one whole year's stipend - - -	100	0	0	290, 296	47
" "	" - -	Eliz. Alkin - -	For physic and nursing sick and wounded seamen and prisoners, on her petition.	10	0	0	258, 296	48
" 12	Comrs. of Excise -	John Embree - -	For the repairs of Whitehall - - -	1,500	0	0	303	48
" 15	Comrs. of Customs -	Gualter Frost - -	For the Council's contingencies - - -	5,000	0	0	302	49
" "	Gualter Frost - -	JohnMaidstone, steward of his Highness.	For the household - - - - -	5,000	0	0	302	49
" 16	" - -	Wm. Blackbrowe, leatherseller of London.	For 700 snapsacks for the regiment of Sir W. Constable.	29	3	4	305	50
" "	" - -	Clemt. Kinnersley -	To be paid to Eliz. Smith, a poor old woman, Eman. de Criell and Hen. Willet, for 4 pieces of tapestry hangings for his Highness.	11	8	0	295, 305	50
" "	Thos. Fauconberg -	Daniel Hinchman -	For use of Col. Hewson's regiments - -	43	1	4¾	307, 327, 338	51
" 26	Gualter Frost - -	Peter Sterry -	A quarter of a year's salary - - - -	50	0	0	327	52
" "	" - -	Capt. Roger Alsop, marshal-general.	For maintenance of Scottish prisoners from 21 Jan. to 29 June 1653.	341	16	0	316, 327	53
" "	" - -	Lady Ranelagh -	Part of 1,100*l.* ordered to Visct. Ranelagh, in full of all demands.	100	0	0	312, 327	53
" "	" - -	Sir Abraham Williams	For quarter of a year's rent of his house in Palace Yard for entertaining ambassadors.	75	0	0	327	54
" "	" - -	René Augier - -	For his secretary employed at Paris as intelligencer, at 10*s.* a day, from 20 Jan. to 20 April 1654.	45	0	0	327	54

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum. £ s. d.	References. I. 75.	I. 105.
1654. May 26	Gaulter Frost - -	Lady Levingston -	For their relief, weekly - - - -	0 12 6	315	55
		Mrs. Bray - -		2 2 0	318	
		Mrs. Hobson - -		1 1 0	327	
		Mrs. Blunden - -		0 4 6		
„ 30	„ - -	Richard Scutt - -	For setting up lights in the passages in Whitehall -	12 0 0	382	62
„ „	„ - -	Wm. Williams - -	For a quarter of a year's salary in printing the bills of mortality, and presenting them weekly to Council.	2 10 0	382	63
„ „	„ - -	10 officers of Whitehall, named.	Half a year's salary, due to 15 May - - -	148 0 0	382	63
June 2	Comrs. of the Customs	Lord Whitelock's agent	On account, for his allowance as ambassador to Sweden.	1,200 0 0	348	56
„ „	Treasurers at Gurney House.	Gualter Frost - -	For Council's contingencies - - - -	2,000 0 0	348	57
„ „	Gualter Frost - -	Nicholas Lockyer -	In lieu of an Ordinance for sale of lands to him, value 200*l.* a year, by the Gurney House treasurers.	2,000 0 0	348	57
„ „	Treasurers at Gurney House.	Robert Inglish and Alex. Finlaw.	Part of a greater sum due on a contract for provisions for Ireland.	1,000 0 0	309, 318, 327, 348	58
„ „	Collectors of Prize Goods.	James Boswell -	In part for victuals for garrisons in Ireland - -	1,000 0 0	318, 338, 348	58
„ „	Treasurers at Drury House.	„ -	„ „ - -	419 15 2	338, 348	59
„ 8	Richard Sankey	Capt. Giles Shelley -	In full of all demands on a contract for relieving Bonratty Castle, Ireland.	60 0 0	356, 338	60
„ „	„ -	James Challoner -	For disbursements about Hampton Court by order of Parliament, he being desired to quit the house there.	200 0 0	248, 338, 356	60
„ 12	Col. John Barkstead -	Commissioners of the Admiralty.	For freight and wages of the ships to be called in -	44,000 0 0	362	61
„ „	Gualter Frost - -	Samuel Hartlib -	For industry in several public services, according to what was heretofore allowed.	100 0 0	317, 338, 362	61

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.	References.	
				£ s. d.	I. 75.	I. 105.
1654. June 13	Gaulter Frost - -	Lieut.-Col. Thos. Kelsey	For charges of Thomas Northcot, Wm. Thacker, and Henry Goodis, in bringing from Dover Mr. Digby and a German lord.	2 0 0	362, 366	62
„ 19	„ - -	Fras. Downham, upholsterer.	For goods delivered at Whitehall for his Highness, his bill being attested and examined.	489 5 9	383	64
„ „	„ - -	22 riding messengers -	For journeys and expenses in the service, June 1653 to Feb. 1654.	464 14 1	382	64
„ „	„ - -	Serjeant Dendy -	For a year's rent of the orchard passage, charges of Mr. Brown, prisoner, and disbursements to trumpeters and troops, at the proclamation about the seamen's meeting.	7 4 0	382	65
„ „	„ - -	Wm. Legg - -	For three quarters of a year's salary as wardrobe keeper.	225 0 0	382	66
„ „	„ - -	Geo. Vaux - -	For one year's salary as housekeeper and passage cleaner at Whitehall.	150 0 0	382	66
„ „	„ - -	Rich. Nutt - -	For bill of charges - - - - -	31 0 0	382	66
„ „	„ - -	Isaac Dorislaus -	For one quarter of a year's salary as solicitor to the Admiralty Commissioners.	50 0 0	382	67
„ „	„ - -	Marchmond Needham -	For one quarter of a year's pension - - -	25 0 0	382	67
„ „	„ - -	Rich. Scutt - -	For a quarter's bill for stationery, lights, sweetmeats, candlesticks, lanthorns, torches, &c. for Council and its committees.	74 18 6	382	67
„ 23	„ - -	Roger Coats - -	For a special service - - - -	50 0 0	354, 390	69
„ „	Haberdashers' Hall Committee.	E. Mulgrave - -	From the moneys paid by the subscribers of the Yorkshire engagement.	1,000 0 0	391, 393, 403	72
„ 26	Comrs. of Customs -	George Cockayne -	On account for Ambassador Whitelock's allowance, date altered from 23 to 26 June at request.	1,523 0 0	379, 390, 393, 394	68
„ 27	„ „ -	Gualter Frost - -	For the Council's contingencies, a warrant of 22 June for 5,000*l.* being cancelled.	14,000 0 0	389, 393, 395	70

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum. £ s. d.	References. I. 75.	I. 105.
1654. June 27	Comrs. of Customs -	Gaulter Frost - -	On account for Council's contingencies, on report from the Commissioners for inspecting the Treasuries, the date being altered from 23 June.	2,000 0 0	380, 390, 396	71
„ „	Gualter Frost - -	John Maidstone -	For expenses of his Highness, a warrant of 22 June for 5,000*l.* being cancelled.	14,000 0 0	380, 393, 395	71, 71
„ 29	„ - -	Earl of Worcester -	Weekly, above the 3*l.* already allowed him - -	2 0 0	402, 407	72
„ „	Treasurers-at-war -	James Powell - -	Balance for victuals and shipping for Col. John Clarke's foot regiment to Ireland.	363 15 0	403	73
„ „	„ „ -	„ - -	Freight for canvas for tent cloth sent to Ireland. [*Also Vol.* 72, *No.* 60*a.*]	32 19 0	407	
„ „	„ „ -	Capt. John Owen -	For ink, pens, paper, and books for the use of Council.	132 12 3	—	126
July 6	Treasurers at Gurney House.	Treasurers-at-war -	To be issued by direction of the Army Committee -	10,000 0 0	417, 393	74
„ 8	Comrs. of Customs -	John Embree, surveyor	On account - - - - - -	1,200 0 0	421	75
„ „	„ „ -	Thos. Redriff - -	For a badge as his Highness' waterman - -	5 0 0	—	170
„ 13	Collectors for Prize goods.	Capt. Walter Wood -	For loss of the use of his right hand in service at sea	66 13 4	429	76
„ „	Gualter Frost - -	Edward Rolt - -	Over and above the charges of his journey beyond sea.	50 0 0	402	76
„ „	„ - -	John Stalham and John Collins.	Appointed to preach the gospel in Scotland, charges of their journey, 50*l.* each, to be in addition to the 200*l.* for their first year's allowance, not in part thereof, as at first ordered.	50 0 0	336, 396, 429	77
„ 27	Treasurers-at-war -	Rich. Browne - -	Balance of a contract for 115*l.* 14*s.* for oatmeal for Ireland.*	75 16 3	447	—
„ „	„ -	Denis Gauden - -	Making with 840*l.* in his hands on a contract for wheat, the balance of a contract of 466*l.* for oatmeal, and of 895*l.* 1*s.* 9*d.* for 795 cwt. 2 qrs. 16¼lbs. of Suffolk cheese for the forces in Limerick.	521 1 9	447	—

* This and the next 8 payments were to be made on warrants from the Army Committee ordered by Council.

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.	References.	
				£ s. d.	I. 75.	I. 105.
1654. July 27	Major John Wade -	Treasurers-at-war -	Being balance unspent of 2,000*l.* allowed him for wheat and oats for Ireland.	365 15 3¾	448	—
" "	Treasurers-at-war -	Thos. Jennings - -	On behalf of John Bunbury, for oats for Ireland -	76 10 6	448	—
" "	" -	Capt. Hen. Hatsell -	Balance of 4,300*l.* for buying and sending wheat and oats for the forces in Ireland.	68 12 9	448	—
" "	" -	Capt. John Whitworth or Jas. Waynwright.	Balance of 2,784*l.* 16*s.* for oats for Ireland - -	184 16 0	448	—
" "	" -	John Matthews and Thos. Prescott.	For oatmeal sent by John Mitchell, and thence to the forces in Galloway and Carlingford.	46 1 9	449	—
" "	Capt. Mark Coe -	Treasurers-at-war -	Balance unspent of 3,700*l.* imprested to him for tent cloth, &c. for the army in Ireland.	111 17 11	449	—
" "	Treasurers-at-war -	Hen. Gale of the Stork, and Thos. Morley of the Jonathan and Abigail of London.	For freight, &c. of 190 tons of ammunition, &c. sent to Dublin and Waterford.	49 5 0	449	—
" 27	Gualter Frost - -	Sir John Borlase -	Towards the charge of his transport to Ireland -	50 0 0	445	77
" "	Commissioners of Excise.	Martin Noel - -	For stores furnished for the State, to be defalcated from the rent due on his farm of the excise of salt.	3,850 0 0	439, 447	78
" "	Commissioners of Customs.	Lord Whitelock -	Balance of the account for his embassy in Sweden, his expenses being 12,755*l.* 2*s.* 11*d.* and his receipts only 10,723*l.*	2,032 2 11	444, 447	78
" 31	Gualter Frost - -	John Millis de Macedo	As interpreter for the ambassador extraordinary from the King of Portugal.	200 0 0	453, 462	79
" "	" - -	Robert Tatnell, late usher to the Admiralty Committee.	Weekly, for subsistence of himself and family -	0 10 0	462	79
" "	" - -	Peter Blondeau -	Towards the charge of his journey to Ireland, and providing materials for a Mint there.	50 0 0	443, 462	80
" "	" - -	James Waynwright -	On a bill of exchange for Richd. Bradshaw, a quarter's allowance as resident at Hamburg.	200 0 0	462	80
" "	" - -	Col. John Berkstead -	On warrant of the late Council of State of 30 Aug. 1653, for pay of the then new raised men in the Tower.	76 7 8	435, 441, 462	82

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				£ s. d.	I. 75.	I. 105.
1654. July 31	Gaulter Frost - -	Col. John Berkstead -	On warrant of 5 May last, for conducting Lieut.-Col. John Lilburne to Jersey; this and the preceding to be paid out of 105*l.* to be received and paid into Council's contingencies by Berkstead, on sale of the scaffold of Paul's.	13 8 7	435, 441, 462	82
" "	Commissioners of Prize goods.	Capt. Rich. White -	Further allowance for his service with his ship in the Isle of Man in 1651.	55 0 0	434, 462	81
" "	" " -	Bailiffs of Scarborough	For their disbursements for the fleet, on an order of the late Council of State.	36 11 0	441, 462	81
" "	Goldsmiths' Hall Treasurers.	Sam. Hartlib - -	Towards 100*l.* a year granted him by Parliament out of the undervaluation of delinquents' lands discovered by him, to be paid half yearly.	50 0 0	462	83
" "	Gualter Frost - -	Alexander Earl of Kelly	Weekly maintenance as prisoner in the Tower -	3 0 0	—	83
" "	" - -	Capt. Chas. Howard -	For raising forty dragoons - - - -	250 0 0	462	84
" "	" - -	Sir Abraham Williams	For quarter of a year's rent for his house in the Palace yard, &c. for entertaining ambassadors.	75 0 0	484	89
" "	" - -	Richard Nutt - -	For bringing ambassadors from the States-General of the United Provinces from Gravesend to London.	49 5 6	573	103
" "	" - -	Robt. Brough - -	For work done by him and things furnished for the clerks' office.	13 10 4	573	103
Aug. 8	Comrs. of Customs -	Gualter Frost - -	For Council's contingencies - - - -	10,000 0 0	469, 472	84
" 10	Treasurers-at-war -	[Wm.] Walker -	Incidencies of the army - - - -	2,000 0 0	477	—
" "	Comrs. of Customs -	G. Frost - -	For Council's contingencies - - -	5,000 0 0	473	85
" "	Gualter Frost - -	Mr. Maidstone -	For his Highness' household - - -	5,000 0 0	473	85
" "	Comrs. of Excise -	John Phelps - -	For purchase of the manor and royalty of Hampton Court.	750 0 0	460, 472	86
" "	Lt.-Col. Thos. Sankey, treasurer for probates of wills.	Isaac Elliston, clothier, of Bradford, co. York.	In full satisfaction of the arrears of his son, whom he lost in the Parliament's service.	28 0 0	—	86
" "	Gualter Frost - -	John Hall - -	In advance for his journey into Ireland as preacher	50 0 0	466	87
" "	Comrs. of Excise -	Nathl. Tiderleigh -	For the impressing of mariners and sending them to the fleet, conveying packets to the forces in Ireland, and equipping a prize vessel sent there with men and horses.	154 18 1	—	88

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.	References.	
				£ s. d.	I. 75.	I. 105.
1654. Aug. 10	Gualter Frost - -	3 clerks, a doorkeeper, and a messenger of Committees of Parliament, named.	For their respective services - - -	153 5 4	472	88
„ 15	„ - -	Lieut.-Col. John Roseworme, engineer-general.	On account of his salary for a quarter at 20*s.* a day when employed, and 10*s.* when not employed, to be paid to his wife, he being on service in Scotland.	91 0 0	486	90
„ 16	Collectors of Prize Goods.	John Powell - -	Balance of 268*l.*, due for furnishing 203 tents and 1,000 snapsacks for Col. Pride's regiment on their march to Scotland. [*Vol.* 74, *Nos.* 59*a.*, *b.*]	128 16 8	489	91
„ 17	G. Frost - -	Thos. Walley - -	For going to Ireland as a preacher, being approved by the Committee for approbation of Preachers.	50 0 0	507 575	—
„ 18	Wm. Walker - -	Rob. Hammond, Rob. Goodwin, Mat. Tomlinson.	Advance on their allowance as members of the Council for Ireland, to be paid from 2,000*l.* set aside for incident charges of the army in Ireland.	500 0 0 500 0 0 500 0 0	472 511 469	91
„ 19	Comrs. of Customs -	Col. Venables - -	On account - - - - - -	300 0 0	512 513	—
„ 20	———	Col. Ingoldsby -	For his regiment - - - - -	150 0 0	575	—
„ 21	Comrs. of the Customs	John Embree - -	On account towards the repairs of Whitehall, &c. -	1,500 0 0	508 513	92
„ „	Treasurers-at-war -	Commissary Thos. Fowler.	For a regiment of foot and a troop of foot, sent from Ireland to Scotland on special service, on warrant from the Army Committee.	5,450 4 0	515	—
„ 23	Wm. Walker - -	— Pepys, baron of the Exchequer.	For advance of his allowance, he being bound for Ireland as a member of the Council there.	500 0 0	526	93
„ 25	Comrs. of Customs -	Gualter Frost - -	For Council's contingencies - - -	2,000 0 0	529 534	94
„ „	„ -	„ - -	„ „ - - -	8,000 0 0	529 534	94
„ „	„ -	John Maidstone -	For his Highness' household - - -	8,000 0 0	—	95

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.	References.	
				£ s. d.	I. 75	I. 105.
1654. Aug. 25	Gualter Frost - -	Sir T. Vyner, lord mayor - -	For plate and goods for his Highness' household, viz:	5,780 15 10½	520, 521 534	95
			" " " - 3,183 14 1			
		[Ralph] Grafton, upholsterer.	" " " - 824 9 0			
		Fras. Downham, upholsterer.	" " " - 207 10 9			
		Thos. Casebeart upholsterer.	" " " - 151 5 7			
		Rob. Burgh, upholsterer.	" " " - 68 11 3			
		— Bennet, brazier -	" " " - 219 11 2			
		Clement Kinnersley, wardrobe keeper.	" " " - 158 13 5			
		Ralph Silverton, silkman.	" " " - 135 17 11			
		Wm. Britten, turner -	" " " - 97 5 7			
		Rob. Hyet, linendraper	" " " - 377 5 8			
		Jacob Tooly " -	" " " - 163 18 9			
		Chas. Pleydell " -	" " " - 118 19 10½			
		Thomasine Bennett -	" " " - 35 0 0			
		Rob. Crofts and 2 others	For plumes of feathers and gilt nails - 38 2 0			
" "	" - -	Earl Marshall of Scotland	For his maintenance, weekly - - -	5 0 0	—	96
" "	" - -	John Lord Sinclair -	For weekly maintenance - - - -	2 0 0	487 513	96
" "	" - -	George Lord Spynie -	" " - - - -	2 0 0	487 513	96
" "	Treasurers of the Committee of Accounts.	John Greensmith and 6 other members of the Committee.	On account for service in the Committee, 100*l.* each	700 0 0	—	98
" "	Gualter Frost - -	Wm. Dunbar - -	For his journey to Ireland as a preacher, being approved by the Committee for approbation of Public Preachers.	50 0 0	507	97
" 28	" - -	Wm. Williams -	Quarter's salary for printing the bills of mortality and bringing them weekly to Council.	2 10 0	572	104
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell -	Wm. Dobbins, commissary.	Salary at 10*s.* a day for sending provisions to Ireland and Scotland for the armies.	91 0 0	572	104

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Date.	By	To	Object.	Sum.			References.	
1654.				£	s.	d.	I. 75.	I. 105.
Aug. 29	Comrs. of Excise -	John Batchelor -	As a reprise for a fee-farm rent purchased out of the manors of the late Earl of Worcester.	1,200	0	0	529, 537	99
„ 31	Gualter Frost - -	4 mesengers of Council named.	For sea journeys and extra charge of 2*s.* 6*d.* a stage riding post, which was suspended by Council and expressed in an order of 2 June last.	198	19	6	—	101
„ „	„ - -	Wm. Jessop, clerk of Council.	For incidental expenses of Council - - -	40	0	0	545, 565, 573	—
„ „	„ - -	Ant. Webster and Wm. Edwards.	For thirty-one poleaxes for the gentleman porter and thirty warders of the Tower.	38	15	0	534, 573	105
Sept. 1	Treasurers for sale of Crown lands.	Fras. Thompson and Hen. Cannon.	Purchase of the Little Park and King's meadows, Windsor, and Bushy Close. Renewed on non-payment, 5 Oct.	3,473	5	0	531, 538, 542, 576	100
„ „	Comrs. of Customs	John Stone and Gervase Bennet.	Salary as Commisssioners for Excise and Customs, Dec. 1653 to March 1654.	75	0	0	551, 567	—
„ „	„ -	John Clarke, Edw. Horseman, Vincent Gookin, Thos. Kelsey, Jas. Phillips, Edw. Cludd.	Salary as Commissioners and in several capacities till 24 June 1654, 150*l.* each.	900	0	0	551	—
„ „	„	Rich. Sherwin -	Salary as clerk to the late Assistants to the Revenue Committee for 1 quarter.	50	0	0	551	—
„ 2	„ -	Gualter Frost - -	Council's contingencies - - - -	6,000	0	0	561, 566	101
„ „	Col. John Barkstead -	„ - -	„ „ - - - -	2,385	10	5	—	102
„ 9	Army Committee -	Treasurers-at-war -	From the money in the Tower for the forces in Scotland.	23,000	0	0	567	—
„ 20	Col. Rich. Sankey -	Col. Ant. Rous, — Manby, Rich. Lucy, and — Hildsley.	Year's salary as judges for the probate of wills, 300*l.* each.	1,200	0	0	570, 565	102
„ 21	G. Frost - -	Marchmond Needham -	For one quarter's salary - - - -	25	0	0	573	105

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Date.		To	Object.	Sum.			References.	
				£	s.	d.		
1654. Sept. 21	Col. Barkstead -	Col. John Barkstead - — Perin - Cornet Day - - Thos. Birch and Jas. Heane. John Reynolds, assay-master. Rich. Bight, master of melting-house.	For coining the silver brought from the Samson, Salvador, George, Morning Star, and Angel Michael - (300 0 0; 250 0 0; 200 0 0; 60 0 0; 20 0 0; 10 0 0)	840	0	0	I. 75.	I. 105.
" "	Gualter Frost - -	Col. Jas. Haynes -	For disbursements for Lt.-Col. Lilburne, prisoner in Jersey.	19	5	4	539, 573	107
" "	" - -	Richard Scutt - -	For stationery, candles, sweet waters, &c. for Council.	91	10	0	572	108
" "	" - -	Elizth. Alkin - -	For her relief and maintenance - - -	10	0	0	545, 565, 573	108
" "	" - -	Jane, widow of Francis Rowe.	On her pension of 10s. a week ordered by Parliament.	7	0	0	573	109
" "	" - -	12 trumpeters - -	Employed in proclaiming the peace with the United Provinces.	12	0	0	544, 565, 573	109
" "	" - -	Wm. Jessop - -	For incident expenses of Council - - -	40	0	0	—	110
" "	" - -	Peter Sterry - -	A quarter's salary - - - -	50	0	0	573	110
" "	" - -	11 messengers and 8 serjeant's deputies.	For their bills for journeys and other charges -	405	17	11	572	111
Oct. 10	" - -	Lady Williams, widow of Sir Abraham Williams.	For one quarter's rent for her house ready furnished in the Palace yard for entertaining of ambassadors.	75	0	0	581	112
" "	" - -	Thos. Blayden -	For his journey into Ireland to preach, on certificate from the Committee for approbation of Public Preachers.	50	0	0	575, 581	113
" "	" - -	John Boulton - -	For 5 pieces of rich arras hangings called the 5 Senses, for his Highness.	375	0	0	581	113
" "	" - -	John Stowe - -	For 6 pieces of tapestry hangings, containing the story of Vulcan, Mars, and Venus, for his Highness.	350	0	0	581	114

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				£ s. d.	I. 75.	I. 105.
1654. Oct. 10	Gualter Frost - -	Clement Kinnersley -	For 6 pieces of hangings, Cupid and Venus; 5 pieces, Elijah the prophet; 3, story of Jacob; 20 Turkey carpets, 15 damask and one taffeta curtain.	168 6 0	581	114
„ 19	„ - -	John Embree - -	For repairs at Whitehall, &c. - - -	1,000 0 0	573, 575, 586	115
„ „	„ - -	Mr. Mader - -	For his journey to Ireland to preach - -	50 0 0	570, 575, 586	115
„ „	„ - -	John Lilles - -	„ „ „ - -	50 0 0	583, 586, 605	116
„ „	„ - -	John Hall - -	„ „ „ - -	50 0 0	583, 586, 605	116
„ 31	„ - -	John Maidstone -	For his Highness, towards the charge of government	10,000 0 0	593	116
„ „	„ - -	Alexander Rowley -	For setting up a sphere in Whitehall, for the use of his Highness.	50 0 0	—	119
Nov. 5	„ - -	Lawrence Castle -	For his journey to Ireland to preach, on certificate by the Committee for Approbation of Public Preachers. [*Vol.* 77, *No.* 1*a.*]	50 0 0	604, 605	121
„ 9	„ - -	Col. William Goffe -	For fire and candles of the guards in attendance on his regiment.	20 0 0	594	117
„ „	„ - -	Lt.-Col. Worsley -	For fire and candles for the guard attending on his Highness.	20 0 0	584	117
„ 12	„ - -	Fitzpaine Fisher -	For some service named in a petition to his Highness	100 0 0	605	122
„ 15	„ - -	Earl of Lauderdale -	For his weekly maintenance as a prisoner in the Tower.	5 0 0	591	118
„ „	„ - -	Thomas Walley -	For his journey into Ireland to preach - -	50 0 0	—	118
„ „	„ - -	John Nuttall - -	„ „ „ on certificate of approval by the Committee for Approbation of Public Preachers.	50 0 0	592, 605	118
„ „	„ - -	Clement Kinnersley -	3 pieces of tapestry and 3 Turkey carpets, for his Highness, &c.	104 10 0	590	119
„ 16	„ - -	Officers at Whitehall -	For their half year's salaries, as specified - -	145 0 0	628	127

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				£	s.	d.	I. 75.	I. 105.
1654. Nov. 28	Gualter Frost - -	Charles Candler -	For his journey into Ireland to preach, on certificate of the Committee for Approbation of Public Preachers 31 July 1654. [*Vol.* 77, *No.* 22*b*.]	50	0	0	604, 605, 612	120
,, ,,	,, - -	John Maidstone -	Towards the expense of his Highness' household -	12,000	0	0	599, 612	120
,, ,,	,, - -	William Walker - -	Advanced by him to Patrick Gillespie and John Minance for their journey from Glasgow to London and back.	100	0	0	598	125
Dec. 2	,, - -	Major Blackman -	For a bushel of coals additional daily for 3 months, for the horse guards in the Mews.	3	0	0	617	—
,, 5	,, - -	John Owen, stationer -	For paper, books, &c. from July 1653 to Feb. 1654 -	132	12	3	619	—
,, 19	,, - -	Mr. Embree - -	For repairs of the houses of his Highness, out of the 5,000*l*. lately brought in for that purpose.	2,500	0	0	626	122
,, ,,	,, - -	Wm. Williams -	For printing bills of mortality, &c., 1 quarter -	2	10	0	—	123
,, ,,	,, - -	Lt.-Col. John Roseworme.	Salary at 20*s*. a day as engineer in Scotland -	91	0	0	—	123
,, ,,	,, - -	Richd. Scutt - -	In full of a bill for fuel for Council last year, 80*l*. being paid.	79	17	0	614	124
,, ,,	,, - -	,, - -	For stationery, lights, candlesticks, &c. for the use of Council and Committees, ½ a year.	170	3	0	614	124
,, ,,	,, - -	,, - -	For setting up lights in the passages at Whitehall -	60	0	0	—	124
,, 23	,, - -	Ambrose Jones -	For a journey into Ireland to preach, on a certificate from the Committee for Approbation of Public Preachers. [*Vol.* 77, *No.* 65*a*.]	50	0	0	626	124
,, 26	Treasurers for Dean and Chapter lands.	Treasury Comrs. -	Remains in their hands on account for sale of lands -	10,000	0	0	—	125
,, 29	Gualter Frost - -	Marchmond Needham	For one quarter's salary - - - -	25	0	0	—	135

LETTERS and PAPERS relating to the NAVY, &c.

Date.	From	To	Subject.	References.
1653-4.				Vol. 80.
March 1	Hen. Elsing -	Gen. Desborow, *Suffolk House.*	Had instructions from Capt. Stone to draw an Ordinance for prize goods, and to attend a Committee of the Council; begs to be excused being too ill; hopes soon to serve with the diligence of an honest Englishman.	1
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	Adm.Com.	Giles Vandeput and Nich. Warren, merchants of London, and Jno. Tutty, owners of the John Baptist, have signed a bond in 2,000*l.* that the ship shall not be employed against the commonwealth contrary to the liberty granted.	2
„ „	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs^	To treat with Sir John Wolstenholme for purchase of his house in Seething Lane, for the Navy Commissioners.	3
„ 2	Thomas Brooks -	Capt. Hatsell or Lieut.-Col. Kelsey.	Request to move the Commissioners on behalf of Wm. Barber, to be clerk of the check in one of the new frigates.	4
„ „	Capt. Jas. Terry, commander of the *Great Charity.*	Generals of the Fleet.	Petition for satisfaction for the loss of his right hand and other wounds in the engagement with the Dutch off Portland, 18 June 1652, while master of the Advice. With certificate of Vice-Adm. Jno. Lawson, and 5 others.	5, 6
„ „	John Morris, *Gravesend.*	Navy Com^rs^	Received their order on the petition of Stephen Nicholson, either to pay him or show cause. Has already paid 7*l.* amongst several men of the ships in Lee Road, and would have settled with him but for his abuse; is already 2*l.* out of pocket, and will pay no more. Has received the book for the 10th whelp, and as her captain has received his warrant and victuals, asks whether to enter him on the sea books.	7
„ „	S. Blackmore -	—	Certificate that Herbert Cadman, boatswain of the Rainbow, having been dangerously wounded, lay on shore at Portsmouth 14 weeks, had two nurses for 8 weeks, and only 15*l.*, which is to be deducted out of any allowance granted.	8
„ „	Comrs. for sick and wounded.	Adm. Com.	Recommend the widow of Capt. Thos. Pacey of the Nicodemus for 100*l.*, her sons, Capt. James and Nich. Pacey, being lost in the Mary prize. Have given her 10*l.* of the sum.	9
„ 3	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs^	Order for the discharge of Rob. Granger, boatswain of the yard at Portsmouth - - -	10
„ „	Gens. Blake and Penn, *Swiftsure, Stokes Bay.*	Adm. Com.	Find from theirs that the ordnance for the lower tier in the Sovereign is shipped from London; are pleased they will be able to procure her men. Recommend Capt. Jas. Terry of the Great Charity to be commander of the 5th rate frigate at Southampton; will supply the other officers out of the fleet. Ask orders as to the disposal of some prisoners taken by the Cardiff in a private man-of-war, as sickness has broken out amongst them; all offer to serve the State, except the French and one Irishman.	11
„ „	„ „	Generals of the Fleet, *Whitehall.*	Want Mr. Arkinstall sent down to take charge of the Sovereign as master. Mr. Hawthorne, her late steward, now of the Great frigate at Woolwich, asks a bill for his wages till she is launched, which will not be for 4 months.	12

Letters and Papers relating to the Navy, &c.—*cont.*

Date.	From	To	Subject.	References.
1653-4.				Vol. 80.
March 3	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com[rs]	Desires clothes sent down for Capt. Fenn's men; also large masts, cables, and Ipswich canvas, to supply the fleet and the new frigates. That at Southampton will be ready for launching next month. The surgeon of the Nightingale, has been discharged for miscarriage; what he owes the State for medicines, should be stopped when he is paid.	13
„ 4	Jas. Hine - -	Adm. Com.	Petition for a gunner's place in the Cat pink, having served in the Little President. Noted as granted.	14
„ „	Adm. Com. - -	Navy Com.	To make out a bill to William Carey for 107*l.* 0*s.* 10*d.*, paid by Col. Robt. Lilburne to the clerk of the check of the Union for victualling 70 men for 2 months.	15
„ „	„ - -	Com. Peter Pett. [Navy Comrs.]	To survey the ships in the river, the Hope, and at Chatham, and report when they will be ready for sea, particularly 9 named.	16
„ 5	Rich. Stokes -		The frigate building by Capt. Jno. Taylor at Wapping has her decks laid, and will be ready to launch the next tide.	17
„ „	Capt. Wm. Tracey, *Fortune, Kinsale.*	„	Sends the muster book. Will convoy a vessel to Galloway with the first wind, and then ply at sea to find Beech, the pirate, who has done much damage on the coasts.	18
„ „	Capt. Hen. Pack, *Amity, Harwich.*	„	Desires order for a boat, also for a survey of his defective victuals. Is getting the ship on shore to wash and tallow.	19
„ „	Capt. Hump. Felstead, *Marigold, Galiantes.*	„	Has been waiting a fortnight for a wind. Has 70 men, but could not get more, and the volunteers to whom he gave tickets to fetch their clothes have been pressed into the Triumph and Andrew. Desires order for pressing 20 or 30 watermen.	20
„ „	Sam. Bull, *Westminster.*	Thos. Smith, Navy Comr.	Begs him to procure payment of 40*s.* due to John County, a soldier under his command in the Isle of Wight, for clothes lost when the Oak frigate was burnt.	21
„ „	Capt. Jno. Taylor and two others, *Chatham Dock.*	Navy Com[rs]	The necessary repairs at the State's house, Chatham Hill, the garden, walks, and fences, will be 25*l.* to 30*l.*; if that is approved of, desire a warrant to proceed.	22
„ „	Capt. Robert Sedgwick, *Stokes Bay.*	„	Is much obstructed for want of able seamen; will try to obtain a supply, and also necessaries for a long voyage, and as he has the grant of a small vessel, hopes to be soon ready; the Generals and Comr. Willoughby are very ready to assist. As the soldiers came on board without arms, those had from the Tower must suffice; hopes to obtain some bandoleers.	23
„ 7	E. Hayward, *Chatham.*	„	The anchor smith offers to supply two anchors of 55 and 64 cwt. in a short time; as Mr. Arkinstall, master of the Sovereign, has desired Mr. Pett to provide both, and sent one to Portsmouth, requests orders.	24
„ „	Thos. Taunton, *Woodbridge.*	„	The frigates in the river are detained by low tides, but Mr. Munday's has been working down, and he is doing all that is needful. Mr. Carey's has not been afloat since she came out of dock, and there are many things to be done on her, which he refuses to perform, and has taken his men off. Desires they will write him.	25

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March 8	Capt. Thos. Bunn, *Providence, Yarmouth Roads.*	Navy Com^rs^	As his clerk of the check has not supplied the necessaries allowed by the Act for sick men, desires the usual allowance for 160 men for 6 months; will see it properly applied.	26
" "	John Browne, *Harwich.*	—	Receipt for provisions for the stores, shipped by Jno. Davis, storekeeper at Deptford, on board the Dove of London.	27
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Received their express and delivered the enclosure. The ships are ready, but stayed for the hoy with provisions; unless she arrives to-morrow they will sail without, as other ships do, which looks as if there were nothing in the stores. Has supplied them with water, ballast, &c. The soldiers were some obstruction.	28
" 9	Peter Bowyer, *Scarborough.*	Navy Com^rs^	The Assurance, of which he was mate, having taken a fishing hoy, he was put on board with 10 men by Capt. Holland, and ordered to attend Capt. Nich. Foster's squadron, but having taken a Danish vessel with stock fish, nuts, &c., bound for Amsterdam, has brought her in.	29
" 11	Adm. Com. -	"	To make out a bill for the bailiff of Andover, for disbursements for maintaining Dutch prisoners. With order 15 March for 58*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.*	30
" "	" -	"	To make out a bill to Phineas Swett for his quarter's entertainment as usher to the Admiralty Chamber, he being dismissed from his employment.	31
" "	" -	"	To make allowance for 40 men upon the Cat pink, and 30 upon the Advice - - -	32
" 13	Phineas Pett, *Chatham.*	"	The Tulip has come in to stop her leaks. The Gift and Mary prize have sailed, and the Victory and Vanguard will follow. The continual absence of the clerk of the check is prejudicial to the service. Will observe their directions respecting a strict muster.	33
" "	Gregory Tricks -	Adm. Com.	Petition for the boatswain's place in the Tulip; with certificate of Capt. Jno. Clarke and two others as to his former service. Noted as not resolved whether the Tulip shall be fitted out.	34, 35
" "	Capt. Jere. Smith, *Torington, Hope.*	Navy Com^rs^	Has received some watermen from the Hall, but they are mere boys of 15 or 16, good for nothing, and not worth their conduct money. Desires order to press some able men, and will then turn the boys over to their masters.	36
" "	Adm. Com. -	"	To sign tickets for John Cook, discharged as surgeon of the Nightingale, and his servant -	37
" "	" -	"	To pay 2*l.* 9*s.* 10*d.* to Capt. Robert Taylor, their agent, for boat hire, 10 Feb. to 13 March. With the account.	38, 39
" 14	" -	"	To make out a bill to Taylor for his salary, from 9 Nov. to 13 March, at 180*l.* a year - -	40
" "	" -	"	Request that one of their number and one of the victuallers attend the Admiralty Committee on Friday at 10 a.m., to meet Mr. Beck and Burton.	41
" "	" -	"	Reference of an account of money disbursed by order of Col. Lilburne, commander-in-chief in Scotland, for provisions, &c. ships named, in the harbour there, since 31 March 1653, total 1,713*l.* 18*s.* 5½*d.* Certified by him, Linlithgow, 3 Dec. 1653.	42, 43
" "	[Col. Rob. Lilburne]	—	Note of the charge of victuals delivered to the army and navy - - - - -	44

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1653–4. March 14	Adm. Com. -	Capt. Zanchey, *Adviser pink.*	Warrant to discharge Augustine Rednett, who has been entered on board - - -	Vol. 80. 45
" "	Jno. Worterloye and 5 others.	—	Recommend Josias Taplie, mariner of Wapping, a boatswain, he having done good service, and been wounded in the engagements with the Dutch.	46
" "	Capt. Stephen Rose, late of the *Convert.*	Adm. Com.	Petition for the command of a ship, having hazarded his life and fortune for the commonwealth. With certificate of Capt. Rich. Badiley and 4 others that he was a captain of foot and dragoons, served as lieutenant in the Entrance and other ships; also commander of the Signet fireship and the Convert, was at the reducing of Jersey, and has not been paid. With note by the Admiralty Committee that as he was laid aside by the former Commissioners, for reasons unknown, it is not thought fit to do anything therein.	47, 48
" "	Capt. Hen. Pack, *Amity, Harwich.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends a report of defective victuals. Wrote the Ordnance officers, but must rely upon them -	49
" "	Capt. Philip Gethings, *Woodbridge.*	"	Hopes to get the frigates down to the bar in 3 or 4 days, and will then take in the remaining ballast. Mr. Carey would have completed his work earlier but for the remissness of the surveyor.	50
" "	Thos. Wilson -	—	Certificate that Sam. Richardson, steward of the Phœnix of London, has passed his accounts for her last voyage	51
" "	Major Rob. Sedgwick and Jno. Leverett, *Black Raven, South Yarmouth.*	Navy Com^rs	Were detained at Portsmouth for ballast, &c., and at Cowes for men, but having recruited, will put to sea with the first wind.	52
" 15	Major John Wade, *Gloucester.*	Adm. Com.	The furnace has blown a fortnight and as it will soon supply 40 or 50 tons of shot, asks where it is to be sent. If sent to Bristol, it will cost 3*l.* 10*s.* per ton, and if to the Tower 6*l.* Desires order to receive some money from the receiver for co. Gloucester, or Capt. Blackwell, to carry on the works.	53
" "	Capt. Thos. Adames, *the Maidstone.*	Navy Com^rs	Is near the Haven's Mouth, and hopes to get the frigate over the bar next tide. Desires a convoy, having no guns and there being some Dutchmen upon the coast; also an order to the victuallers for provisions. Capt. Gethings is hastening down to them.	54
" "	John Clifton, *George, Stokes Bay.*	"	Sends duplicate of his sea book and muster. Has been plying with the fleet on the French coast, and is in good condition.	55
" "	Adm. Com. -	"	To order the Hope, Concord, and Mary flyboat to be fitted for victualling ships, to attend the fleet.	56
" 16	" -	"	To make out a bill to Rich. Nutt, barge master, for 11*l.* 7*s.* 3*d.* disbursements - - -	57
" "	" -	"	To make out a bill to John Powell for 22*l.* 9*s.* 1*d.* for defraying the charges of Desborow and the other Commissioners to and from Chatham.	58

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1654. March 16	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com.	To make out a bill to Capt. Rich. Badiley for services in the Paragon convoying ships to the Mediterranean, at 14*s.* per day.	Vol. 80. 59
" "	William Yates, shipwright.	Adm. Com.	Petition to be carpenter of the Mary flyboat. With certificate of Capt. Thos. Taylor and 3 others in his favour. Noted that nothing is to be done at present.	60, 61
" 17	Joshua Woolnough, linen draper.	"	Petition for an order to the Ordnance officers to give him a debenture for 6,060 ells of canvas, delivered into the stores on contract at 18*d.* per ell. Has served the stores 5 years on yearly contract, and cloth has not been cheaper since the last contract. With order to the Ordnance officers to attend the Committee thereon on Monday.	62
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	"	Examination before him of Theop. Scott, boatswain of the Golden Cock, as to cordage received and used for rigging his ship; also account of what was delivered on board by Thos. Greene at Dover, March–May, 1653.	63, 64
" "	Gens. Blake and Penn, *Swiftsure, Ellen's Road.*	"	Recommend Jos. Watson as cook in one of the new frigates, he having been servant to the late General Deane for 5 years.	65
" 18	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com[rs]	To order the laying up the Tulip, and preservation of her tackle and stores - - -	66
" "	Thos. Shewell, *Bristol.*	"	As the Fortune has gone to sea, cannot do anything with the papers and interrogatories respecting Mr. Greene, until she returns. The lesser frigate building by Mr. Bayley will be launched on Friday, and a boatswain is required to look to the rigging. Noted that one is appointed.	67
" "	Charles Taylor, surveyor, *Bristol.*	"	Desires two more surveyors besides himself to be appointed to examine the said frigate. Are in hand with the great frigate.	68
" 19	Capt. Jere. Smyth, *Torington.*	"	Received 17 boys from Watermen's Hall, and sends 5 of them as ordered; Capt. Stayner had 13 of the 100 pressed; unless ordered to remain for the rest, shall sail with the first wind.	69
" 20	Adm. Com. -	"	To direct the victualling and manning of the Lizard prize fitting out at Plymouth - -	70
" "	Gens. Blake and Penn, *Swiftsure. Ellen's Road.*	"	Send a petition and certificate, and desire they will satisfy for the damage sustained - -	71
" "	Christ. Pett, *Woolwich.*	"	Desires order for Wm. Cooper, purveyor, to purchase some timber near Windsor, fit for building ships, which is wanted.	72
" "	Fras. Baylie, *Bristol.*	"	Sent a certificate with Mr. Taylor's for payment of two bills of 300*l.* each, on account for building the smallest frigate, but only one was paid; as she will be launched next Friday; desires that the other bill for 300*l.*, as also another since due, may be paid. Is in hand with the larger frigate, and sends bill for 300*l.* on account of her.	73
" "	Thos. White, *Dover*	"	Having spent 180*l.* in repairing the State's ships, and only received 130*l.*, desires payment of a bill of exchange for 30*l.* to John Edwards, the Dover post. The Cat, bound for Ireland, has been re-fitted, and the Pearl has come in to be tallowed and victualled.	74
" "	Rich. Stayner, *Plymouth.*	"	Sends up two of the 14 boys received from Watermen's Hall as a specimen; if they cannot send better, they may keep them, and thus save the State's victuals. Will exchange the remainder for men taken out of merchant ships.	75

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1654. March 20	E. Hayward -	—	Account of old ships, boats, cables, and other stores [at Chatham] only fit for a public sale. There is also sufficient unserviceable canvas to make 3,000 hammocks.	76
" "	Capt. And. Eburne, and two others, *Tenth Whelp, Yarmouth.*	Navy Com^rs	Richard Williams, the steward, having embezzled all the money he could obtain, and run, asks a warrant for Josia Dunford, the mate, to succeed him; also orders to the victuallers to complete provisions, as specified, and beer for 60 men for 4 months.	77
" "	Capts. Edm. Seaman, Gilb. Roope, and Stephen Marsh.	Adm. Com.	Petition for an order to the Navy Commissioners to state their accounts for payment, their merchant ships the Sampson, Mary, and Levant Merchant being taken up by the agent at Leghorn for the service. With reference to the Navy Commissioners.	78
" 21	Capt. John Godolphin of the *William and Thomas.*	"	To like effect, having served in the Straits with Capt. Badiley. With like reference - -	79
" "	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs	To contract for the purchase of 500 trees for the navy - - - - - -	80
" "	John Sparrow, *Prize Office.*	Adm. Com.	Sends the names of 15 prize ships taken by Capt. Philip under letters of marque, and returned by the registrar of the Admiralty Court as subject to payment of 10ths. He has only returned 3 and paid but 17*l.*	81
" "	Edw. Bellamy, Rich. Arnold.	Robt. Blackborne.	Recommends Wm. Ruddock for a cook's place on board the Bear at Woolwich - - -	82
" "	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs	To state the accounts of Edw. Dennett, Lieut. of the Leopard, as also of the Bonadventure, for provisions and stores supplied while in the Straits.	83
" "	Capt. Hen. Pack, *Amity, Harwich.*	"	Desires order for exchanging defective provisions, and will be ready to sail next Thursday -	84
" "	Capt. Robert Vessey, *Fox, off Are, Chester Water.*	"	Received Lord Cromwell on board in Dublin Bay, landed him at the point off Are this afternoon, and will return to Dublin the first wind. Received theirs, refusing to pay Mr. Windis the money disbursed for the frigate without order from the Admiralty Committee. Notices of ships.	85
" "	Capt. Rich. Newdegate, *Pearl, Dover*	"	Sends muster-book of 86 men, Capt. Humphreys of the Nightingale having had 40 of the pressed men for the General. Came in to wash and tallow, but will be out to-morrow.	86
" "	—	—	List of 13 soldiers belonging to Col. Pride's regiment who were absent on leave when prize money was paid, with particulars of their services. Amount due to them 7*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*	87
" 22	Capt. Rich. Pettock, *Hare Ketch.*	Robt. Blackborne	Has been on the coast of Flanders, and meeting divers English prisoners from the Prosperous, Garland, &c., coming out of Holland, victualled them. Met two Dutch men-of war convoying some ships for Dunkirk and Calais, who chased and engaged with him, but left him.	88
" "	Capt. John Clarke, *Redriff.*	Col. Jno. Clarke.	Recommends Jno. Kidd, clerk of the check in the Tulip, for employment in a new frigate of which Clarke is appointed commander.	89
" "	Anth. Wells, *London.*	Navy Com^rs	Asks payment of a bill for 170*l*, drawn on them in favour of Henry Wagstaffe, and long overdue	90

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1654. March 22	Ordnance Officers -	Navy Com[rs]	Mr. Wath's cloth not being serviceable, have sent to Mr. Woolnough for 1,000 ells; desire a supply of deep canvas or hall cloth.	Vol. 80. 91
" "	Adm. Com. -	"	To inquire how soon 100 tons of brass metal for guns may be procured from Sweden - -	92
" "	" - -	"	Send letter of Capt. Robt. Wilkinson of the Weymouth pink, Harwich, desiring a pinnace, which they are to furnish and send away.	93, 94
" 23	" - -	"	To supply the victualling ships attending the Fleet with stewards - - - - -	95
" "	" - -	"	To order a survey of the Cignet, and to examine an information about Mr. Furbanke, one of their clerks.	96
" "	Thomas Adames, *the Maidstone.*	"	Is sorry to be compelled to take up more money, and desires 100*l.* may be paid to Joseph Haymore. Is waiting for a wind to go to Harwich. Sent to the captains of the Sparrow and Weymouth to lie off the Bar, but could not prevail with them.	97
" "	Jas. Puckle, *Yarmouth.*	"	The guns, powder, &c., have arrived. The masts of the frigates are up, and all haste is being made, but the Yarmouth draws too much water to get her out. One of the frigates lying on the dogger bank has brought in a Dutch freebooter; Major Burton has received 2 bundles and 39 cwt. of hemp from Mr. Johnson of Newcastle.	98
" "	Rich. Lyons, *the Taunton, Portsmouth Harbour.*	Thos. Smith and Edw. Hopkins, Navy Com[rs]	Asks a bill of imprest for 40*l.*; has only received 20*l.*, and is designed for another voyage, if the peace with Holland is fully agreed upon; also for more men.	99
" "	Col. John Barkstead, *Tower.*	Navy Com[rs]	Desires payment to Hen. Butler, impressed by him and Capt. Hatsell, on an Admiralty order of 3 June 1653, for carrying 126 foot soldiers of Col. Ingoldsby's regiment down to the Consent in the Lee Road.	100
" 24	Hump. White -	"	Progress made in the new frigate building by Robt. Page; desires instructions about it - -	101
" "	Samuel Windis, *Liverpool.*	"	Sends his wife up with receipts for money advanced to Capt. Robt. Vessey and Capt. Jones, and desires payment.	102
" "	John Hardwine -	—	Bill for making and shipping a large lantern for Capt. Limbrey, total 12*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.* - -	103
" 25	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com[rs]	To make out a bill for 40*l.* to Capt. Jno. Wadsworth, late commander of the Phœnix, for damage and loss by her being taken by the Dutch in the Straits.	104
" "	" - -	"	To give order for providing victuals for 1,000 men at Portsmouth - - - - -	105
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	"	Has been on board the Dover, which is much damaged by falling over, but cannot say what is fit to be done until a survey is made. Desires a copy of the contract made with Mr. Castle.	106
" "	" "	"	Sends a letter and depositions of the officers of the Dover before John Tippetts, master shipwright, and Chas. Thorowgood, master attendant at Portsmouth, as to the falling over of the Dover while hanging her rudder, and the getting her on shore at Church Wharf. The Dover, Essex, Kent, Taunton, and Foresight are in the harbour to repair and tallow.	107–110

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1651.				Vol. 80.
March 25	Thos. Shewell, *Bristol.*	Navy Com[rs]	The smaller frigate is launched and her captain appointed, also Wm. Serjant as clerk of the check, but as his warrant is of ancient date, sends a copy that it may not be forgotten.	111
" "	Capt. Mic. Nutton, *Satisfaction, Milford Haven.*	"	According to orders from Lord General Fleetwood, took in 3 months' victuals at Kinsale, and has been plying off the Irish coast, and as far as Galloway with the Greyhound. Philip Weedon, of Greenwich, formerly purser, has left, and Danl. Ellinor has been sent on board by the Lord General [Fleetwood] as steward.	112
" 26	Edm. Wormell, clerk of the check of the *Portsmouth.*	"	Sends two muster books. The state of the men and the ship is very good - - -	113
" 27	Fras. Baylie, *Bristol.*	"	Launched the lesser frigate last Friday, and desires they will make out bills for the two instalments due.	114
" "	Adm. Com. -	"	To stop the pay of Capt. Fuller of the Cignet until further order - - - -	115
" "	" - -	"	Send letter of Capt. Thos. Elliot, complaining of the delay in finishing the Fagons frigate building at Colchester, and desire they will hasten her despatch.	116, 117
" "	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	"	Sends his account for money disbursed for the stores, and desires the return of his bills drawn on the treasurer, or some other discharge. Account of the stores. There is a balance of 19*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* due to him thereon, besides other moneys advanced out of his pocket to the workmen, for which he will draw another bill. Asks what he is to allow per foot for building longboats, skiffs, &c. Desires they will send down the pumps, also some press warrants. With note that longboats from 30 feet upwards are 15*s.* a foot in length, from 14 to 30 feet, 14*s.*, pinnaces from 25 to 30 feet, 10*s.*, and skiffs from 20 to 24 feet, 7*s.*	118
" "	Capts. Phil. Gethings and Thos. Adames, *Harwich.*	"	Have got both the frigates into Harwich, and are calking and refitting. Hope orders have been given for victuals; desire their accounts may be examined and passed before they put to sea. The hoy has arrived with the remainder of the stores.	119
" "	Solomon Muttun -	—	List of 12 anchors made by him for the Navy, weighing from 1 to 33 cwt. - - -	120
" 28	E. Salesbury? *the Hampshire, St. Helen's Point.*	Mr. Turner	Sends two muster books, and desires one may be sent to Mr. Hutchinson, the Navy treasurer -	121
" "	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com[rs]	To make out a bill for 100*l.* to John Hooper, for a year's salary as clerk to the Ordnance Committee.	122
" "	" -	"	To make out a bill for 30*l.* 15*s.* 6*d.* to John Powell, and for 5*l.* 8*s.* to Hen. Nebley, messengers to the Admiralty Committee, for disbursements.	123
" "	" -	"	To enter Phineas Pett, assistant to the master shipwright at Chatham, for a salary of 70*l.* instead of 56*l.* 10*s.*, 13*l.* 10*s.* being added in the last model of the committee of merchants for regulating the navy officers.	124

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1654. March 29	Adm. Com. - -	Navy Com[rs]	To make out a bill for 12*l.* to Phineas Pett, assistant to the master shipwright at Chatham, towards his charge of a house, and to consider whether he cannot be accommodated with one in the yard.	Vol. 80. 125
" "	Robt. Orchard and Sam. Raven.	"	Certify that the Bear prize, rebuilt at Woolwich, is now afloat, and ready to take in provisions -	126
" "	Capt. Rich. Browne, *Pembroke.*	Robt. Blackborne	Delivered the orders to Capt. Peter Bourne and Capt. Taylor of the Lizard, and is waiting further commands.	127
" "	Wm. Thew - -	Adm. Com.	Petition for a warrant as steward of the Gift. With certificate of Ralph Annesley, former steward, resigning the same in his favour, and certificates of Capt. Thos. Thompson, and 8 others, of his services in the Crow and Gift.	128–131
" "	Isaac How - -	"	Petition to be lieutenant in the Unicorn; served as midshipman in the Fairfax, and sustained great loss when she was burnt. With certificate of Vice-Admiral Lawson in his favour.	132, 133
" "	Ed. Watterman -	Navy Com[rs]	Although bound to sea, his servants and men have been pressed, his ship left at random, and his business neglected, he being confined with sickness; desires order for clearing his boatswain, also pressed and sent on board the Victory.	134
" "	Adm. Com. - -	"	To make out a bill for 56*l.* 5*s.* to Major Thos. Parsons, for disbursements in shipping 50 soldiers out of Col. Pride's regiment on board the Black Raven, and to deduct the same when the soldiers are paid.	135
" "	" - -	—	Having considered the differences at Chatham, referred to them by his Highness, order that Lawrence Wise succeed Mr. Adderley there as preacher, with the same salary and privileges.	136
" "	" - -	Navy Com[rs]	To discharge Mr. Adderley, preacher to the Navy at Chatham, they having appointed Lawrence Wise in his place.	137
" "	" - -	—	Order that no person be admitted on board any ship or frigate in the service as chaplain without warrant, and that those already admitted cease officiating on 1 May, unless authorized.	138
" "	" - -	Navy Com[rs]	To make out a bill to Jno. Merrick, master of the Harry Bonadventure, taken by the Dutch coming from Leghorn, for his and his 2 servants' wages and losses, and also for his wages while in the Vanguard, and deduct the amount from the freight of the latter. With certificate of Capt. Robert Swanley and Jno. Standen, surgeon, of their services.	139, 140
" "	" - -	"	To make out bills for payment of 236*l.* 15*s.* 9*d.* to 5 officers and workmen named belonging to the armoury in the Tower.	141
" "	Edw. Pateson, merchant of *Plymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Petition on behalf of poor ignorant widows, orphans, and relations of seamen slain, residing at Plymouth, for an order to the Navy Commissioners to grant tickets to him as their agent, for what is due to the deceased. With order to the Navy Commissioners to search their books, ascertain what is due, and grant bills for payment of arrears to Pateson, a good and conscientious man, and also certificates to the widows for any prize money due.	142, 143
" 30	E. Hayward, *Chatham.*	Navy Com[rs]	Thanks for their obtaining an augmentation of his salary; encloses the order and a bill, and desires directions to Capt. Pett, clerk of the check, to enter it upon the quarter books.	144

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1654.				Vol. 80.
March 30	Sephen Skewes, *Satisfaction, Pembroke.*	Adm. Com.	Complains of his purser and steward, Philip Weedon of Greenwich, who not only insufficiently supplied the ship with provisions, but deserted, whereby he was put to much inconvenience in his voyage to Dublin. Was ordered to recruit at Kinsale, but forced into Milford, where Rich. Browne supplied bread and beer. Waits further orders.	145
„ 31	Capt. Mich. Nutton, *Satisfaction, Milford Haven.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Has been forced in by contrary winds, and being in great want of bread and beer, not having time to take it up at Portsmouth, has procured some of Mr. Browne of Pembroke, and given him a bill, being bound for Kinsale, where he will take in 3 months' more. Lord Gen. Fleetwood has sent a steward on board, and the Greyhound is in his company.	146
„ „	Capt. Jos. Cubitt, *The Portsmouth, Plymouth Sound.*	Adm. Com.	Arrival and departure of ships. Has been 3 days getting out, and will lose no time in obtaining men and proceeding to his station. Some Brest men have taken two ships of Dartmouth with salt, in one of which he is interested.	147
„ „	Adm. Com. - -	Navy Com^rs	To send a list of such ships and frigates in the service as are fitting out and are sheathed -	148
„ „	„ - -	„	To furnish the victualling ships fitting to attend the fleet with able officers, and send a list of their names, that commissions may be made out.	149
„ „	„ - -	„	The warrant appointing Gabriel Davis, steward of the Martin, having been vacated through his non-attendance, he is not to receive any pay, and notice of his discharge is to be sent to the Victualling office.	150
„ „	„ - -	„	To confer with the Ordnance officers and take such guns out of the Signet as are fit for the State, and sell the remainder, with the ship and her furniture, to the best advantage, and note of her ordnance. With appraisement, by Thos. Scott and Manlie Callis, and agreement by Geo. Kendall to give 350*l.* for her.	151–153
„ „	„ - -	—	Order that the stop on Capt. Fuller's pay be vacated - - - - -	154
March ?	———	—	List of 14 ships restored by decree of the Admiralty Court at Portsmouth, Plymouth, and Dover, between 20 Feb. and 31 Mar. 1654.	155
„	Thos. Scott, *Deptford*	Navy Com^rs	Received 40*l.* which is all laid out; as there are 2 frigates to be rigged, one at Ratcliff and the other at Limehouse, desires 100*l.* more. There is another ready to be launched at Maldon.	156
				Vol. 81.
April 1	John Greene, *Deptford.*	Thos. Turner, clerk to the Navy Comrs.	As he is making up his books, desires instructions as to allowing certain charges mentioned. With notes of reply.	1
„ „	Capt. Jno. Geffery, *Bristol.*	Adm. Com.	The 4th rate frigate building at Bristol will not be ready for 6 months, Mr. Bayley has gone to procure more timber. If a commander is not provided for the 5th rate frigate now launched, will be glad to spend the summer in her.	2

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1654. April 1	Thos. Shewell, *Bristol.*	Navy Com^rs	The works upon the new frigate have been performed beyond his expectation. Begs that the money certified by Mr. Bayley to be due may be paid. Sends up Wm. Serjeant's warrant and recommends him for employment.	Vol. 81. 3
" "	Major Wade - -	—	Account of the expense incurred in making a ton of iron at the forge in Dean Forest. Total, 3*l.* 10*s.*	4
" "	Commissioners for sick and wounded, *Little Britain.*	Adm. Com.	Charged the money due on the Dover accounts for sick and wounded there upon the Commissioners for Prize goods, and abated the 400*l.* advanced; desire order to the treasurer thereon. Granted a bill of 10*l.* to Elizabeth, widow of Wm. Johnson, cook of the Phœnix, upon the certificate of Capt. Nich. Foster that he lost his life in attending on the sick and wounded, and recommend her for 10*l.* more.	5
" "	Major N. Bourne, *Maldon.*	"	The frigate building at Maldon will be ready in a month. Is going to Colchester and Harwich, and will meet the officers respecting the Newcastle on Monday. Shall be glad to hear of the conclusion of the long expected peace with the Dutch.	6
" "	Jno. Falkener, *Ordnance Office.*	Mr. Creed	Sends the weight of three brass sakers belonging to Jas. Boeve, and desires order to make him out a debenture for them.	7
" "	Thos. White, *Dover*	Navy Com^rs	Has victualled and fitted out several frigates, but has no cables, of which the Pearl and Drake are in great want, and as cordage is 50*s.* per cwt., cannot buy any.	8
" "	Capt. Abra. Algate and Thos. Freeman, *Dover Road.*	"	Have been plying between Dover and Calais, and their cables being worn out, came in for a fresh supply. As there are none to be had, desire two may be sent down to Mr. White.	9
" "	Gilbert Roope, Capt. and Robert Wooltens, purser of the *Mary.*	—	List of the men entered 3 Dec. 1652 in the Mary, hired for the service, and discharged 28 May 1653.	10
" "	Nich. Foster, *Phœnix, Yarmouth Roads.*	Adm. Com.	Is waiting for a wind, when he will sail with the Assurance and Amity. The Assurance wants repairs and provisions.	11
" "	Chas. Taylor, surveyor, *Bristol.*	Navy Com^rs	Particulars of two frigates building there - - - - - - - - -	12
" "	John Edwin and 3 others.	—	Certificate, &c. to the valour and ability of Erasmus Predmore, master carpenter of the Little Charity.	13
" 2	Capt. Robt. Wilkinson, *the Weymouth, Yarmouth Roads*	Adm. Com.	Came in with the Red Hart pink, and is going for Newcastle with 50 light ships; hopes they will be mindful of his pinnace, as he has much need of it.	14
" "	Capt. Phil. Gethings, *Preston frigate.*	Navy Com^rs	Received the cables, anchors, and part of the stores, and sends a list of those still wanting. Wishes to pass his accounts.	15

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1654.				Vol. 81.
April 2	Jno. Poortmans, *Swiftsure, Ellen's Road.*	Gen. Geo. Monk, *Whitehall.*	The Reserve has brought in a Dutch vessel with indigo and paper, bound from St. Malo to Amsterdam. Lieut.-Col. Lilburne has arrived at Portsmouth for transportation to Jersey in the Expedition. Are in much expectation what the treaty with the Dutch will produce; it was thought it would not have hung so long on hand.	16
„ 3	Jas. Powell, *Bristol*	Col. Jno. Clerke, *Whitehall.*	Surveyed the new frigate lately launched, and find she will be ready for the carpenters in 16 days, and the other now in hand for 50 or 60 carpenters in less time. Mr. Bayley, the builder, is a clever and honest man.	17
„ „	Jonas Shish, *Walderswick.*	Navy Com^rs^	Will launch the frigate next week, but not one of the 8 shipwrights pressed at Aldborough last Feb. have appeared, though all received press and conduct money, and the constables have been a great hindrance therein. Hopes the hoy of timber has arrived at Deptford; is loading two 300 loads more at Yarmouth, and desires a convoy.	18
„ „	Capt. Jno. Wetwang, *Sparrow, Burlington Bay.*	Adm. Com.	Came out of Yarmouth Roads with 150 colliers, but was forced into the bay by the storm; will sail for Tynemouth. Hopes they will be mindful of his long services in an inconsiderable frigate, and remove him to one of those now building.	19
„ „	John Arthur, *Weymouth.*	„	Received Lieut. Wm. Reap's letter, stating that Capt. Mills of the Falmouth seized a ship, which he brought into Portland Road through foul weather, and upon inquiry, find it came from Bristol, and belongs to Wm. Yeamens and other merchants there, and is bound for Rochelle. Has sent her papers to the Prize Commissioners, and expect she will soon be cleared.	20
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	„	Certify on Capt. Naylor's petition that the State having contracted to find munition for the ketches taken up by him, they directed the Ordnance officers to examine his accounts and make all due allowances, but the officers cannot do it without the Admiralty Committee's order.	21
„ „	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Delivered the warrant to the clerk of the check; hopes they know the demands for stores of all sorts, and particularly anchors and cables, as the fleet is putting into Portsmouth continually, and the ships coming from London and Chatham, after waiting there 2 months, are but half fitted. Has built 30 new boats and 12 more are wanted.	22
„ „	Wm. Donn, *Walderswick.*	„	The builder is performing the works on the new frigate satisfactorily; he has 35 men employed, and expects to launch her the end of the month.	23
„ 4	12 or 13 shipmasters in *Dover.*	Adm. Com.	Petition that Capt. Tatnell may convoy them to Rouen, being laden with merchants' goods; having lain 3 weeks waiting a convoy, they are losing their markets.	24
„ „	Capt. Valentine Tatnell, jun., *Rosebush, Dover Road.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Has come from the fleet in the Downs with a convoy, and asks an order to convoy some vessels bound for France, as there is no other man-of-war in the Roads.	25
„ „	Capt. Ben. Blake, *Limehouse.*	„	Has entertained John White aboard the Gloucester frigate as ordered - - -	26
„ „	Capt. Thos. Sankey, *Adviser Pink, Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	Sailed from Harwich with 10 or 12 hoys and other small vessels; while riding in the Naze, an enemy's shallop took a collier of Yarmouth; chased him over the Sands, and recaptured her.	27

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April 4	Wm. Knowles, *Liverpool.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends muster books; has come in to repair, tallow and revictual, having been out all the winter -	28
„ „	Capt. Rich. Badiley, *London.*	Mr. Creed, *Adm. Office.*	Asks him to search for and deliver to the bearer a parchment bound book, being an account of his disbursements while in the Mediterranean.	29
„ „	Capt. Mat. Browne, *Wren, Kinsale.*	Adm. Com.	On his arrival from Waterford, delivered a copy of his instructions to the Governor of Kinsale, and desired him to communicate them to the Commander-in-chief in Ireland, that he might have a supply before going to sea.	30
„ „	Capt. Edm. Thompson, *Advantage, Liverpool.*	„	Has come in to victual and to take victuals for the Hare Pink, and will then ply about Cantyre and Dumbarton, according to the General's orders.	31
„ „	Capt. John Parker, *Liverpool.*	Navy Com^rs^	On orders from the Commissioners in Dublin, accompanied the Fox and Lord Hen. Cromwell to Beaumaris, and then sailed to the Isle of Man, and thence to Cantyre Mull, but has been storm-tossed, and at last forced to bear for Chester Bar, being short of provisions, out of repair, and wanting a boat. His furnaces are so bad that there is a fear of firing the frigate. Asks an order to take up money to supply his wants.	32
„ „	Capt. Edm. Thompson, *Advantage, Liverpool.*	„	Has come in to victual by order of the General, and will then ply between Fair Foreland, Cantyre, and Dumbarton and return to his station. Desires they will pay bills drawn for fitting out his ship and procuring stores.	33
„ „	Capt. Rich Stayner, *the Plymouth, Burlington Bay.*	Adm. Com.	Has been plying with Capt. Smith and others on the North coast, but did not meet with any of the enemy, or any ships from which he could procure seamen. Supplied the Assurance with some victuals, to save her coming into harbour.	34
„ „	Capt. Peter Foote, *Brier, Burlington Bay.*	„	Has been plying between the Spurm and Tynemouth, but did not hear of any Dutch pirates. Will observe their instructions received from Capt. Wetwang of the Sparrow, but has only 8 days' provisions; if they cannot be had at Tynemouth, will procure them from the Sparrow, who has 3 months' provisions on board; his hold, however, can only stow away sufficient for 6 weeks.	35
„ „	Capt. Anth. Spatchurst, *Paul, Plymouth.*	„	Sends an account of what was on board the Dolphin prize, of Camphire, which was delivered by his Lieutenant to the Prize Commissioners. Knows nothing of any woollen cloth or serge, as most of the plunder was sold at Calais, but the Lieutenant might have done more to prevent embezzlements. When the ship surrendered, her masts were shot away, and she was a perfect wreck, and had they not cried for quarter, all would have been sent to the bottom; was forced to tow her at his stern for 10 days before he could get into any port, and broke his cable twice.	36, 37
„ „	Martin Browne and Laurence Loe, *Barber Surgeons' Hall.*	Navy Com^rs^	Received the surgeon's bills of the Vanguard, and appointed Walter Thomson surgeon, paying him the free gift and impress money, 17*l.* 10*s.*, which was less than he expended on his chest. Think themselves more competent judges of the capacity of surgeons than the commanders. Thomson is more fit for the service than the man who would have been appointed; the money was paid prior to hearing from Capt. Badiley, or his desire might have been complied with.	38

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April 5	Fras. Baylie, *Bristol*	Adm. Com.	As the lesser frigate will be ready by the end of the week and the larger one in August, asks their favourable construction of his endeavours to perform his contract.	39
„ „	Capt. Jno. Gefferye, *Bristol.*	„	Progress of a 4th rate frigate building by Mr. Baylie. The 5th rate frigate is launched, and the work well done, but a commander is wanted to hasten things.	40
„ „	Navy Comrs.	„	The Selby frigate building at Wapping by Capt. Jno. Taylor will be ready to launch next Monday	41
„ „	Capt. Jno. Sherwin *Primrose, Leith Road.*	„	Has been cruising with the Duchess about the Orkneys, by order of his Highness, to intercept Midddleton, and is to victual for 2 months. Begs 2 or 3 more frigates to ply upon the coast to keep down the Brest men-of-war, the Union, Sun, &c. having gone in to victual.	42
„ „	Thos. Shewell, *Bristol.*	„	Begs acceptance of a bill for 500*l.* drawn on Mr. Hutchinson, for fitting out the lesser frigate building by Mr. Baylie.	43
„ 6	Jno. Bromfield -	„	Petition for an order for his pay to the time he came to England. Was in the Bonadventure when blown up in the engagement with the Dutch in the Straits, when he was seriously wounded in the leg, was laid up 10 months at Leghorn, and is now in Little Bartholomew's hospital. With certificate of Hum. Fox and Rob. Smith of his favour.	44, 45
„ „	„ -	Navy Com^rs^	Petition to like effect - - - - - - - - - -	46
„ „	Christ. Pett and Wm. Acworth, *Woolwich.*	„	Ask an order to sell Saml. Waterton some cast iron dross in the stores, as ballast for a pleasure boat.	47
„ „	Adm. Com. - -	Capt. Robt. Taylor of the *Gainsborough.*	Instructions to receive such money as the Treasurers-at-war shall send for payment of the forces in Scotland, and then to sail to Leith. With note by the treasurers, that having sent 4,000*l.* they desire his receipt, and he is to deliver the amount to their deputies in Scotland.	48
„ „	Major N. Bourne, *Ipswich.*	Adm. Com.	Repairs, &c. of ships. The steward of the Newcastle is very tame now he is in hold, but is a ranting loose fellow ; asks how to dispose of him.	49
„ „	„ - -	Navy Com^rs^	To like effect - - - - - - - - - - -	50
„ „	Thos. Adames, *the Maidstone.*	„	Has had the frigate on shore to tallow, and is endeavouring to get men. Major Bourne has been down.	51
„ „	Capt. Jas. Abelson, *Mermaid, Bridlington.*	„	Has been plying on the coast according to their orders, but has not heard of any private men-of-war thereabouts.	52
„ „	Jno. Cruso, *Yarmouth.*	Robt. Blackborne.	The Providence, Raven, and other ships have sailed northwards. Capt. Browne Thomas has brought in a flyboat, the St. Peter of Dantzic, laden with salt, sugar, oranges, &c.	53
„ „	Capt. Robt. Wilkinson, *the Weymouth, Tynemouth Bar.*	Adm. Com.	Came in with the Hart, Sparrow, and a fleet of light ships, and will wait for those laden and coming out. Account of ships.	54

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April 6	Capt. Saml. Dickinson, *Gift, Tilbury Hope.*	Adm. Com.	Has endeavoured to impress men to complete his complement, but has only 80, as most of the masters of ships have protection warrants, and the others send all those they can spare to remote places on shore, to prevent their being pressed.	55
„ „	Thos. Scott, *Deptford.*	„	Received warrant for launching the Selby, as also for sheathing the Gloucester and Lanport. Wants materials for launching at Wapping; desires the Master Attendant at Woolwich may be ordered up with what help he can procure.	56
„ 7	Capt. Thos. Thompson.	—	Certificate that Rowland Hebron served under him in the Crow for two years, was in two engagements with the Dutch, and is fit for the place of quartermaster or midshipman. With certificate of Capt. John Limbery and 3 others in his favour.	57, 58
„ „	Capt. Rich. Cowel, *Cat Pink, Kinsale.*	Adm. Com.	Would have reached Kinsale earlier had he not been forced into Milford Haven by the storms. Has delivered a copy of his instructions to the Commander-in-chief of Ireland.	59
„ 8	Navy Comrs. - -	Officers of the *Gainsborough.*	To release Nich. Osborne, one of the sailors of the Watermen's Company, and some men he had pressed for the Victory; also to appear at the Navy office with Osborne to settle their differences. With certificate of Hen. Framingham, boatswain, and 4 other officers, April 9, that they detained Osborne and certain men in a boat with him for insolence.	60, 61
„ „	Capts. Hen. Southwood and Thos. Bunn, *Leith Road.*	Adm. Com.	Have convoyed in 15 merchantmen and a vessel with ammunition, and will now return to their station.	62
„ „	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Bristol.*	„	Is fitting out the frigate, but waiting for the masts. Recommends the builder, as no ship was ever built better, and she will carry more guns than was expected. Asks 32 for her.	63
„ „	Capt. Peter Foote, *Brier, Hull.*	„	Sent to the mayor of Newcastle for his orders, which were to convoy their fleet for Hamburg, but as they had sailed, proceeded southward leaving the Sparrow at Tynemouth. Put into Hull for provisions, but as there are none to be had, will go to Harwich and convoy some merchant ships there bound for London.	64
„ „	Navy Comrs. - -	„	Recommend the sheathing of the Selby frigate building at Wapping by Capt. Taylor, as she is a nimble vessel and fit to join those appointed for the southward.	65
„ 9	Capt. Fras. Cranwill, *Hare.*	„	Sent account of his voyage to Ayr in Scotland, and hopes they will defray the charges incurred there for carpenter's work and stores, which were paid for by Eliazer Branche, a loyal Commonwealth man, and master of the ordnance or master gunner in the port there. Is running short of provisions, having lent some there by the Governor's orders.	66
„ 10	Capt. H. Maddison, *Mary prize.*	„	Having seen the Hull fleet into the Humber, came with the light colliers to Tynemouth. Met 3 Dutch men-of-war, but could not overtake them; also the Assurance and Amity bound for the Dogger to join the ships there. Wants 50 men and could not get on shore to procure them through the storms.	67

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April 10	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	Adm. Com.	The Raven and Providence have sailed for Scotland, as also Capt. Drew. All the Iceland fishermen will sail within 10 days, having already gone to Newcastle to take in their salt. The ships they name as appointed for Iceland are otherwise engaged; recommends Capt. Robt. Coleman who has been a fisherman. As regards the peace with the Dutch, has given notice to the merchants not to be too hasty in putting to sea. Has caught a severe cold, and almost lost his speech in working day and night.	68
,, ,,	,, ,,	Navy Com^{rs}	Received the warrants, and will send up the receipts. Will not buy any more hemp, cordage, or yarn until further order. Has drawn a bill on the treasurer for 500*l.*, payable to Dan. Farrenton, merchant of Jersey, and hopes it will be met. The tar sent was 10$\frac{1}{4}$ barrels deficient.	69
,, ,,	Capt. Thos. Bunn, *Providence, Leith Road.*	Adm. Com.	Sends a letter from the Commander-in-chief. Hopes to have the goods on board to-morrow, when he will sail for the Hope and then wait upon them; the Raven has sailed.	70
,, ,,	Capt. Phil. Gethings, *the Preston.*	,,	Has tallowed the frigate, is taking in guns, &c. and hopes to sail on Monday, but wants men. Asks whether to go to Ouseley Bay for them. Begs orders to Deptford to send down the stores, or will apply to Major Bourne for some when he arrives from Yarmouth.	71
,, ,,	Capt. Edw. Tarleton	,,	Hears the Navy Commissioners have ordered the victualler at Bristol to victual him for only 90 men; these will not man a ship with 32 guns and which can carry 36; desires orders for 100 men, also a carpenter.	72
,, ,,	Thos. White, *Dover*	Navy Com^{rs}	Has shipped the masts for the Bristol frigate on board the Adam and Eve, to be convoyed to Portsmouth.	73
,, ,,	Capt. Rich. Badiley, *Vanguard, Lee Road.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Is sorry he was deprived of his company at the Commissioner's through illness. Recommends his kinsman Mr. Farewell for a place in the Custom House; he lived in good quality for 30 years, and is reduced in his old age by the ill dealings of wicked people.	74
,, ,,	Major N. Bourne, *Yarmouth.*	Adm. Com.	Has been on board the Yarmouth at the Haven's Mouth, and will survey the stores required for the frigates fitting out at Walderswick and Wivenho. Hears nothing of the boatswain for the Fagons about to be launched. Will see to her measurements and then go to Walderswick to survey the ships there, and then to Harwich to dispatch the Woodbridge frigates, and settle other matters. Will hasten the hoys with ammunition to Harwich.	75
,, ,,	,, ,,	Navy Com^{rs}	To the same effect. Appointed Jonas Shish and another to assist him in the survey - -	76
,, ,,	Capt. Philip Gethings, *Preston frigate.*	,,	Has taken up 100*l.* of Mr. Wright of Ipswich, and desires it may be repaid. Is taking in his guns, beer, &c. and hopes to sail in 10 days, but wants order for other stores.	77
,, ,,	Thos. Collingwood, *Yarmouth.*	Thos. Spreg, *Navy Office.*	The 13,000 deals for which he gave bond are ready; desires they may be disposed of so as to ease his charge.	78

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April 10	John Manby - -	Navy Com^rs	Asks an order for payment of the last instalment due on his contract for building the Maidstone, having spent more than is covered by the contract, and being far from home.	79
„ „	Rich. Light, *Plymouth frigate, Dogger Bank.*	Col. Thos. Kelsey.	Account of the ill conduct of Mr. Bellamy, the victualler in London, and his agent at Gravesend, in charging him with goods not received, with boat hire, &c.; also certificate of Capt. Rich. Stayner in verification.	80
„ 11	Navy victuallers -	Adm. Com.	Ask whether to victual the Union employed on the Scotch coast, which has come into Newcastle, as the Navy Commissioners decline giving an order on the warrant of Col. Lilburne, which she brings.	81
„ „	J. Fowler, advocate *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends copies of the sentence of a council of war held on Joshua Hunt, steward of the Katherine. General Penn is taking coach to London.	82
„ „	Capt. Wm. Cockraine, *Old Warwick, Plymouth Sound.*	Adm. Com.	Has victualled and is hastening to his station. The rest of the squadron is at sea - -	83
„ 12	Capt. Jno. Clifton, *George, Ellen's Road.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends duplicate of his last muster book. Has 325 men in good condition, and is in company of the fleet hereabouts.	84
„ „	Capt. Rich. Stayner, *Plymouth, Dogger Bank.*	Adm. Com.	Victualled and put to sea, and convoyed a fleet of light colliers to Newcastle to get men. Capt. Holland having 12 in prison at Scarborough, he and Capt. Pack have gone to fetch them. Met 4 Dutch men-of-war, and chased one, but lost her. There are 200 or 300 ships off the Texel, with several men-of-war bound for the Sound, and 28 coming from Zante. There are no Holland fishermen, but our privateers plunder all they meet with.	85
„ „	Capts. Hen. Pack and Phil. Holland, *Amity, Dogger Bank.*	„	Sailed from Harwich with the Phœnix for Bridlington, then to Scarborough for men, and afterwards to their station. Took a ship of Amsterdam with ballast, bound for the Sound, and sent her in, as also a Frenchman with 25 lasts of tar and pitch, which was taken by the Assurance.	86
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	„	Want a boatswain sent down to Yarmouth, for rigging the Colchester - - - -	87
„ „	„ -	„	Desire order to take possession of a storehouse at Rochester, for stowing boatswains and carpenters' stores; also a warrant for building a new one in the dockyard at Chatham, so that it may be ready before the return of the fleet, and thus ease the charge and give greater security to the stores.	88
„ „	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	„	Asks an order for 500 clove boards, taken out of a prize, for supply of the stores. The 12 cables have arrived, but Coledicke is not yet heard of.	89
„ 13	Capt. Jas. Abelson, *Mermaid, Scarborough Road.*	„	Has been plying to and from his station, and gave chase to two private men-of-war, but they escaped.	90

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1654. April 13	Wm. Horne, mayor of *Southampton.*	—	Certificate of the truth of an account of Thos. Cornelius, late mayor, for the expenses of 3 wounded men in Southampton, from May to Oct. 1653, provided by order of the Council of State. Certified by Capt. Fras. Willoughby, 25 April 1654.	Vol. 81. 91
" "	Rich. Ford and Nath. Manton.	Navy Com^rs	Certificate that the 19 bales of Noyals canvas, delivered into the stores at Portsmouth by John Wheeler, are a portion of the goods they have contracted to deliver.	92
" 14	Wm. Knowles, clerk of the check, *Liverpool.*	"	Being bound for Dublin, asks for 6 months' necessary money for the sick and wounded - -	93
" "	Capt. Joseph Cubitt, *Portsmouth Frigate, Plymouth Souud.*	Adm. Com.	Particulars of a cruising voyage with the Middleburg and Falmouth. Engaged a fleet of 48 merchant vessels from St. Malo, and after several broadsides, two were sunk and 4 taken, others making their escape. Has not lost a man and only two hurt. The Middleburgh and Falmouth are in Fowey with the prizes; the Paul, Old Warwick, and two others will be ready to sail in a few days.	94
" "	Rear-Adm. Rich. Badiley, *Vanguard, Downs.*	"	Is waiting for a wind to hasten to the fleet. Three ships have come in from the Canaries, and others from Zante with currants, having lost one, which was chased on shore at Scilly by the French. They were also chased in the Mediterranean by the Turkish frigates of Tripoly and Tunis, who much infest those seas. The Pearl and other frigates are here upon their station.	95
" "	Capt. Rich. Newbery, *Victory, Hope.*	"	Will sail to the fleet as ordered, and desires a warrant to press men out of any ships that may be ordered in.	96
" "	Capt. Rich. Potter, *Constant Warwick, Plymouth Sound.*	"	While cruising off Ushant, chased and took a Brest man, called the Bedy, commanded by Capt. Morgan Joanes, but he had thrown his guns, boat, and oars overboard to lighten his ship. One of the prisoners is named Brame, and has been a commander for the Royal party. Has come in to dispose of the prisoners, and to obtain a new pump.	97
" "	Major N. Bourne, *Ipswich.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Has been to Yarmouth and Walderswick, to hasten the Preston and Maidstone, which will soon be ready to sail, and is now going to Colchester, and thence home, as his wife is ill. Hopes in less than a month to see 6 new frigates at Harwich, when some person of trust ought to be there to look after things. Has seen much that might be improved. Would be more quiet in spirit if he could wink at things.	98
" "	Symon Crabb, *Tilbury Hope.*	Adm. Com.	Delivered their letter to General Penn, who ordered him to go on board the Swiftsure for his commission, but could not procure a boat. Is now in the Mary Rose, and if she is to be continued in the service, desires his commission may be made out for her.	99, 100
" "	Ordnance Officers -	"	Have examined the account and papers of Lieut. Edw. Dennett, for gunners' stores supplied to the Leopard and Bonadventure at Leghorn, by order of Capt. Rich. Badiley, and find they amounted to 1,729 dollars, 11 sol. 4 den., or 453*l.* 19*s.* 9*d.*	101
" "	Major N. Bourne, *Ipswich.*	"	Will send the steward of the Newcastle a prisoner to the General of the fleet, with the necessary proofs. Details of ships.	102
" "	Com. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Desires his influence with the Admiralty Committee on behalf of 6 persons lately laid aside on account of their age, as they have certificates testifying their good affection.	103

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1654. April 15	Capt. Robert Taylor, *The Gainsborough.*	Adm. Com.	Has gone on board and will discharge the trust, but desires instructions as to taking any Dutch he may meet; also a warrant for the person recommended by Capt. Hare as master and pilot.	Vol. 81. 104
" "	Capt. Nich. Foster, *Phœnix.*	"	Particulars of his proceedings with the Assurance and other ships. Took a prize called the Love of Malqueren, in Friezland, laden with deals, tar, buckskins, &c. Sends an inventory of her contents; her boat deserted her with 5 men. Renoard Simpson, her skipper, according to his own confession, has served the King of Spain, as also Charles Stuart, and done much damage to the commonwealth; he was once taken by the Greyhound and imprisoned in Norwich Gaol, from whence he escaped. Is going with the prize to Harwich, where he will clean and revictual.	105, 106
" "	Navy Comrs. - -	"	Received their order on the petition of the owners of the Loyalty, taken up to reinforce the fleet under Capt. Badiley, and find she commenced pay on 11 March 1652–3, was taken up for 6 months and arrived at Woolwich 3 Aug. following, making 5 months and 6 days; as she came home 22 days before the 6 months, think it reasonable to allow the freight for these 22 days, in recompense for the loss and damage the owners pretend to.	107, 108
" "	Capt. Roger Jones, *Chester.*	Adm Com.	The vessel he is to take charge of has none of her lading, and the boats to carry the provisions on board cannot reach her until next week, but as he has received the 1,000*l.* for the forces in the Isle of Man, and a month's provisions, asks leave to sail, and leave Capt. Thompson, who is at Liverpool, and bound for the same port, to bring the provisions.	109
" "	Capt. Ben. Sacheverell, *Pearl, Dover Road.*	Navy Com^{rs}	Has been plying between Dover and Calais, and as his ship is in danger for want of new cables, desires two may be sent to Mr. White at Dover.	110
" "	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Bristol.*	Adm. Com.	Is fitting his ship, but waiting for the masts which are at Gloucester and the guns. Desires a carpenter may be sent down, or an order to engage one.	111
" "	Thos. White, *Dover*	Navy Com^{rs}	The captain of the Pearl has been on shore for new cables, being afraid to trust his ship without them, and the captain of the Drake has great need of cables.	112
" "	Capt. Robt. Vessey, *Fox, Dublin Bay.*	"	Acquainted them with his landing Lord Cromwell. Since then, has received and delivered goods for the army. Went to look after a Brest man-of-war, one Turner, but could not meet with him. Is going to convoy some vessels with corn, ammunition, &c., for the West of Ireland.	113
" "	Capt. Jas. Abelson, *Mermaid, Whitby.*	Adm. Com.	Plying upon his station, took a private man-of-war, which formerly belonged to England, and was taken by the Dutch. Wants beer.	114
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	"	Geo. Aldridge, steward of the Heartsease, has embezzled the ship's stores and absconded. If the stores at Portsmouth are not replenished, the fleet must go elsewhere for a supply. The ships with the cables and masts have arrived. A Galiot hoy, from Amsterdam, has been brought in, having 4 cables in her. Asks whether Mr. Hempson, judge advocate, the marshal, and other officers, who receive salaries, are also to be borne on the sea books as ordinary seamen, as they bring tickets upon shifting into other ships. Noted that no tickets are to be paid at Portsmouth, except in case of discharge for sickness, and that those officers are not to be paid as common men.	115

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April 16	Saml. Ingram, *Spithead.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends the muster book, and hopes two formerly sent have been received - - - -	116
" "	Jas Perrott, *Maldon.*	Major Thomson, Navy Com^r	Particulars of surveys by Capt. Taylor and others on the ship building at Maldon, which will not be completed for two months.	117
" 17	Capt. Phil. Gethings, *Preston frigate.*	Adm.Com.	Has shipped the guns and provisions, and when the rest of the beer arrives, will sail to Hoseley Bay, to get men, and then follow his instructions. Has changed his cook by order of Major Bourne, for misdemeanors.	118
" "	Thos. Scott, *Deptford.*	"	Mr. Purser, the blockmaker, having contracted to supply blocks for two years, he is the most fit to survey those supplied by himself and others; therefore begs to decline the office.	119
" "	Commissioners for sick and wounded.	"	Referred the certificates of John Staneen, surgeon of the Harry Bonadventure, for attending sick and wounded seamen 14 days, to Mr. Trapham, surgeon of the Savoy, who advises that 7*l.* should be paid to him.	120
" "	Capt. Jas. Abelson, *Mermaid, Flamborough Head.*	"	Has sent the privateer he took to the prize masters at Whitby; having several guns disabled, replenished himself out of her.	121
" "	Capt. Phil. Gethings, *The Preston.*	Navy Com^rs	Received 100*l.* of Thos. Wright, of Ipswich, for payment of his men and disbursements for the ship, and hopes the bill of exchange he gave in return will be met. Desires the stores formerly asked for may be sent, as he is ready to sail to Hoseley Bay, where he hopes to procure his complement of men.	122
" "	Philip Breda -	Adm. Com.	Petition for additional pay or satisfaction. Served in the Gift from Jan. to Sept. 1653, when he was sent on shore sick, and had to support himself at his own cost, after which he joined the Essex, where he now is. With certificates of Jno. French, Hercules Richards, and others.	123–125
" "	Capt. Thos. Adames, *the Maidstone.*	Adm. Com.	Has tallowed, and is taking in guns and provisions, and when the 15 tuns of beer arrive, will sail to Hoseley Bay to get men.	126
" "	Navy Comrs. -	"	To appoint a convoy for the Hopewell hoy, of London, laden at Deptford, with masts and cordage for Portsmouth.	127
" "	" -	"	Examined Mr. Carey's vouchers for provisions delivered from the army in Scotland; those delivered amount to 539*l.* 18*s.* 7*d.*; more paid for stores 143*l.* 17*s.* 11*d.* He also demands 504*l.* 5*s.* 1*d.* for other provisions, which cannot be allowed until the parties chargeable own it. The provisions out of the navy stores of victuals amount to 1,392*l.*, besides other sums stopped and received for the army, which should balance all such pretences; if paid again, cannot see where the Receiver can be charged.	128

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April 17	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Ask whether they will be present at the launching of the new frigate, built by Phineas Pett, at Ratcliff, on Monday next.	129
„ 18	Capt. Rob. Mill, *Plymouth.*	„	Has come in to refit, and as soon as the carpenters have completed their work, will make all speed to his station.	130
„ „	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	„	Sends the estimate of decayed provisions, which ought to be sold; wants 40 pieces of brass ordnance for the great frigate, as her works are progressing.	131
„ „	Edw. Stisted -	Robt. Blackborne.	Asks for a commission for Mr. Boone, as clerk of the check at Aldborough, or if he cannot procure one, a certificate.	132
„ „	Sub.-Comrs. for prize goods, *Plymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Details of goods found that have been embezzled from prize ships—cables, pepper, lead, canvas, &c.—with names of the chief delinquents. Also depositions of Rich. Tapson and 10 others, respecting stores embezzled and sold to persons named, residing at Plymouth and Stonehouse, co. Devon, taken out of the Royal James of Brest, the Dolphin, Satisfaction, and another prize, and brought into Plymouth.	133, 134
„ 19	Capt. Rich. Newbery, *Victory, Tilbury Hope.*	„	Received a warrant to remain where he is; if ordered to the fleet, desires order to take 10 or 12 men out of each merchant ship in the Hope, as he has but 200.	135
„ „	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	Adm. Com.	There are no ships in the roads, but expects the Plymouth, and if she does not come in will send a ketch to the ships on the Dogger Bank; the Tarenton is gone to the Rolling Grounds to set his bowsprit, and get his anchors, broken in taking the East Indiaman.	136
„ 20	———	—	List of all the ships, being 90 in number, on the out stations, 64 with the fleet, and 17 new frigates not ready.	137
„ 20?	———	—	Fair copy of the above - - - - - - - - - -	138
„ „	———	—	List of ships, noting some as sold or laid up, and some on out stations - - - -	139
„ „	———	—	Like list, noting the disposal of the several ships - - - - - - -	140
„ „	———	—	Like list, adding lists of ships on foreign stations, of those laid up in harbour, and of those to be sold.	141
„ „	———	—	List of ships to be laid up or intended for out stations - - - - - -	142
„ 20	Capt. Abra. Algate	Adm.Com.	Plying in the Narrow, took a vessel of Flushing with 6 cases of glass shipped at Dieppe, and delivered her to the prize officers at Dover.	143
„ „	Capt. H. Maddison, *Mary prize, Tynemouth Bar.*	„	Has been cruising between Coquet Island and Whitby, but has not met with any of the Dutch fleet; hears ours is on the Scotch coast. The Crow and her convoy are at Tynemouth Bar, as also 300 sail; will convoy them as far as he is able.	144
„ „	Andrew Burrell -	Robt. Blackborne	Desire favour in relation to his petition to the Admiralty Committee for payment of 100*l.* for wages as a master shipwright; it was delivered to Col. Kelsey, with recommendation by the now Lord Protector, which had availed had it not been obstructed by Denis Bond and John Holland.	145

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April 20	John Cruso, *Yarmouth.*	Robt. Blackborne.	The Paragon and Plymouth came into the roads, having taken the Rose of Amsterdam, bound for the East Indies, which they have sent to London, and sailed again southward. The Raven and several merchantmen have been taken about Scotland.	146
„ „	Capt. Rich. Pettock, *Swan, Harwich.*	„	Saw the convoy from Hull to Hamburg, where were 8 Newcastle ships; convoyed 3 Dutch ships richly laden by our merchants for London; met some East Indiamen on the way, but was unable to deal with them; being short of victuals, was forced to put his men on half allowance. Will hasten to get the frigate ashore to wash and tallow, and take in provisions, and then ply between Yarmouth Roads and Tynemouth Bar.	147
„ 21	Wm. Fox, clerk of the check, *Swan, Harwich.*	Navy Com^rs^	To like effect as the preceding - - - - - - - - -	148
„ „	John Bond, *Minehead.*	Adm. Com.	Sent the 6 iron guns from Taunton Castle to Mr. Shewell at Bristol, by order of the Ordnance officers, and as he signed an indenture when he received them, desires a discharge.	149
„ „	Capt. Lionel Lane, *Sovereign, Stokes Bay.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends account of disbursements in impressing men for the Triumph and Sovereign, and desires payment of the balance. Only saw 3 of the 50 men ordered to be sent from Watermen's Hall, and can hear of no others.	150
„ „	John Robinson -	Robt. Blackborne	Desires dispatch to the business concerning the Loyalty, being half owner of her, and the Navy Commissioners having made their report.	151
„ „	Capt. Rich. Cowes, *Cat Pink, Kinsale.*	Adm. Com.	Delivered a copy of his instructions to the deputy governor, the governor being at Dublin, and has been since cruising on his station; after taking in ballast, will proceed there again.	152
„ „	Fras. Mason, Geo. Mason, Thos. Lewis.	Major Bourne. *London.*	Desire a favourable report to the Generals, that they may obtain their liberty and arrears of pay, having been imprisoned in Landguard Fort 5 weeks on a false charge of mutiny, and of threatening to blow up his house.	153
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Have conferred with Capt. Rob. Swanley, late of the Harry Bonadventure taken by the Dutch, respecting his accounts, as also with Capt. Cox and others, but find so much difference in their testimonies as to when the ship entered the service, and the number of men she carried, that though they judge his sufferings have been great, they can make no satisfactory report.	154
„ „	Capt. Joseph Cubitt, *the Portsmouth, Plymouth Sound.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Sent an account of his scuffle with the French, but hears from Captains Godfrey and Mill that there were one or two more ships sunk than he mentioned. The Middleborough and Falmouth received much water between decks; his own ship was put to her lower tier after the 5th broadside, and his masts have each a fish on them.	155
„ „	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham Dock.*	Navy Com^rs^	Is glad the storehouse at Rochester is not sold, as it will be of great use being removed into the yard. Did not intend putting Mr. Ellis upon the great frigate's sails until ordered. Asks orders for Wm. Royall, employed in collecting and marking timber lost out of the Blessing of London, and found drifting in the river, as it has been seized by the lord of the manor.	156

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April 21	Capt. Philip Holland, *Assurance, Burlington Bay.*	Adm. Com.	Sent in a prize, the Golden Star of Amsterdam, also the Katherine of Havre de Grace, with pitch and tar from Norway. Surprised a ship of Memblick bound for Greenland, and took a Danish bark with deals, which had been taken eight days before by a Hollander, and has brought them into the Bay. Lost the company of his squadron; will sail to Yarmouth Roads for orders.	Vol. 81. 157
" "	Theop. Sacheverell, *the Plymouth, Scarborough.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends two muster books. Took the Rose of Amsterdam, bound for the East Indies, and having some silver on board, and sent her to the Thames. Also took the Rose of Enchuisen of 4 guns and 23 men, and a smack which had been taken by another private man-of-war, and belonged to Barking. Put the prisoners on shore at Bridlington, and is sailing north with other frigates.	158
" 22	Capt. Rich. Stayner, *Plymouth, Scarborough.*	Adm. Com.	Went to Scarborough to deliver his prizes, and found the Amity, Assurance, and Mermaid there, the two former having taken a Hollander bound for Greenland, and a Dane that had formerly been taken by a Dutchman. A fleet has gone out of the Texel in company of 10 men-of-war bound for France and Portugal, and 6 great ships were lately seen on the Dogger bank. Will return to his station and annoy the enemy.	159
" "	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Bristol.*	Navy Com^rs	As the boat built for him is too large, desires it may be given to Capt. Geffery for a long boat, and that the builder may make him another skiff fashion, as he is only allowed one.	160
" "	" "	Col. Thos. Kelsey, Adm. Com^r.	Recommends Mr. Bryant as clerk of the check in the Islip, of which he is going commander, although a warrant has been given by Gen. Monck to Wm. Sergent.	161
" "	Thos. Shewell, *Bristol.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Sends copy of Gen. Monck's warrant of 10 Nov. 1653, appointing Wm. Sargent a clerk of the check, as the captain is endeavouring to oust him in favour of one Bryant. As Sargent was recommended by Lord Whitelock and Nath. Ingelo, desires he will report favourably of him to the Admiralty Committee.	162, 163
" "	Thos. White, *Dover*	Navy Com^rs	Vice-Admiral Lawson has passed with his fleet of 13 frigates and 2 ketches towards the North Seas. As the Adam and Eve is coming in to victual, she might carry some spare masts to the fleet at Portsmouth.	164
" "	Capt. Ben. Sacheverell, *Pearl, Dover Road.*	Adm. Com.	The Nonsuch ketch has gone to Vice-Adm. Lawson, but her captain is left on shore sick. Plying on the French coast, chased 4 vessels and took two, one belonging to Rotterdam with pitch, tar, and deals, and the other a French ship with ballast, and has delivered them to the Prize Commissioners at Dover; Capt. Algate of the Drake has brought in a French ship. Hears that 80 Dutch merchant ships have sailed homeward from Bordeaux.	165
" 23	Capt. Rob. Wilkinson, *the Weymouth Holy Island Road.*	"	Has come in with the Providence and Sparrow, and 7 laden merchantmen bound for London, and will proceed to his station and attend the colliers coming to sea. Hears there are many Holland capers off Berwick and Holy Island, but has not seen any.	166

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1654. April 23	Margery Dinnison -	NavyComrs	Sends an account due to her late husband for shipping stores at Chester, and for money expended thereon, and desires consideration, as she is left destitute and cannot get a bill from Mr. Ackworth.	Vol. 81. 167, 168
" "	JohnMorris, *Gravesend.*	"	Sends note of Arthur White, postmaster at Gravesend, that Mich. Miles, steward of the Entrance, has been restored to his ship by order of Gen. Blake, and his father has returned to London. Asks whether the Victory shall attend the victualling ships who are coming down. The Gainsborough has sailed to Lee Road.	169, 170
" "	John Maidstone, *Whitehall.*	Adm. Com.	Begs the steward's place on the Phœnix for Phil. Mead, son in-law to Mr. Sandford, justice of peace for Essex, who will speak for his ability and integrity.	171
" 24	Capt. Jno. Taylor, *the Lizard, Kinsale River.*	"	Left Plymouth Sound on the 20th, and chased a ship, but she proved to be an Englishman -	172
" "	Capt. Jas. Abelson, *Mermaid, Flamborough Head.*	"	Plying on his station, met a private man-of-war, who had taken a vessel belonging to Boston. Also met the Plymouth and the Assurance, which had put her into Scarborough. There are some Hollanders upon the east coast. Wants beer.	173
" "	John Cooke -	Robt. Blackborne	Attended Gen. Penn for a certificate to David Dove's petition for prize money, but he knew nothing of it; must refer to Gen. Blake, but hopes the enclosed petition will prevent further trouble, as the order directed to the Commissioners authorises them to make payment upon the certificate of two navy captains.	174
" "	Capt. Jer. Smith, *Torrington.*	Adm. Com.	Vice-Admiral Lawson, being at sea, sent to Harwich yesterday, but the two new frigates, the Preston and Maidstone, are still there, having only 80 men and boys apiece. Other ships named are also there victualling, &c., but most will be ready this week. Has got in his bowsprit, and will sail with the first wind.	175
" "	Navy Comrs. -	"	As by an Ordinance of 31 March last for repair of the highways, carts are limited to 5 horses each, and as it will be necessary to use from 10 to 15 in each team in bringing timber to the water side, desire the purveyors may have liberty accordingly; also for those teams used in bringing iron ordnance from the founders in Kent.	176
" "	" -	"	Desire an order to the lord of the manor at Whitstaple to restore 120 planks which drifted on shore there from a hoy wrecked between Colchester and Southampton, which he has seized; this will prevent "the like Pagan practices for the future."	177
" "	" -	"	Have examined the witnesses and papers touching the men's wages belonging to the Harry Bonadventure, commanded by Capt. Robert Swanley, and find she had 75 men from 7 Dec. 1652 to 20 April 1653, and from thence to 25 June, when she was taken, 110 men, which will amount to 965*l.* 10*s.*, part of which the captain paid, but how much neither he nor they can state, and few of the company are now at home.	178, 179

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1654. April 26	Capt. Robt. Mill, *Plymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Is hastening to get to his station. The Nonsuch and Old President have come in to press men; the Middleborough will be ready to sail with him.	Vol. 81. 180
" "	Capt. Robt. Wilkinson, *the Weymouth, Tynemouth Bar.*	"	Came in with the Providence, and found the Mary prize and the Crow there. Received General Monck's order to convoy the ships now in Tynemouth harbour bound for Leith, and will await their coming.	181
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughy, *Portsmouth.*	"	Sends certificate of David Lucas and Peter Marden that they have surveyed 300 trees in Carisbrook Park, and estimate that they will produce 250 loads of timber, and are worth 317*l.* 16*s.* as they stand; recommends the purchase. Is sheathing the Dover, and wants nails. The many sick seamen sent on shore much increase disease and mortality this hot weather.	182, 183
" "	" " -	[Navy Comrs.]	Wants 150,000 nails for sheathing the Dover frigate. Begs they may be sent by land - -	184
" "	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Bristol.*	Adm. Com.	Is sorry he is not more forward with the rigging, but has been waiting for the masts from Gloucester; wants an order to the Ordnance officers to hasten down the guns and stores.	185
" "	Kenrick Steventon, *Convertine.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends a muster book and solicits employment as a clerk, wishing to leave the sea - -	186
" 27	Alex. Farly, *Walderswick.*	Adm. Com.	The frigate was launched yesterday, and as soon as her rigging arrives from Yarmouth, and her officers from London, will hasten her out.	187
" "	Capt. H. Maddison, *Mary prize, Tynemouth Bar.*	"	The Providence and Weymouth have arrived, and the Sparrow is expected, and as they will all return to Scotland, himself and the Red Heart will be the only two left on the coast. Is waiting for the colliers to come out, and will then convoy them as ordered.	188
" 28	Capt. Robt. Taylor, *the Gainsborough, Hoseley Bay.*	"	Asks whether to accompany the Phœnix to Adm. Lawson who is gone northward. Will proceed to Harwich for instructions.	189
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Has only received 7,000 sheathing nails for the Dover frigate, and has been waiting a week for more; as the Swiftsure, Lion, and Lamport, built at Southampton, are also to be sheathed, will want 500,000 more, as also some deals; also a mainmast for the new frigate. Asks the price of hair.	190
" "	" " -	Adm. Com.	Has given order for sheathing the Swiftsure, and will use all expedition with the Lion and Lamport when they come in, but cannot do anything for want of nails.	191
" "	Thos. Scott, *Deptford.*	"	Asks leave to add the old iron room to his residence in the yard, it being only 2 rooms, very small and inconvenient, and to run up another chimney, as it will be but a small charge. Left a good house at Ratcliffe to come to Deptford.	192
" "	Rob. Coytmor, jun., *London.*	—	Deposition that the stores named were not all that was received by Anth. Atkins, late boatswain of the Wildman fireship, from Thos. Green, for perfecting the rigging of the ship.	193

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April 29	Chris. Pett, *Woolwich.*	—	Certificate that the works on the wharves at the State's new dock have been substantially performed by Mr. Ewell, according to contract.	194
„ „	Commissioners for sick and wounded.	Adm. Com.	Allowed Susan, wife of Nich. Cane, cook's mate of the Andrew, 3*l.* to carry her to Guernsey, and as she did not live with her husband, leads a loose life, has only herself to keep, and has more than ordinary skill in making stockings, consider it sufficient.	195
„ „	Capt. Thos. Sankey, *Adviser pink, Harwich.*	„	Came in to tallow, and receiving orders from Major Bourne to go to Yarmouth to impress men for the Maidstone and Preston, went there, but the bailiffs would not let him press; as the frigates had sailed northwards, sent 11 men by the Vice-Admiral Dogger boat, and is going to his former station for orders.	196
„ 30	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	The Marston Moor is now added to the ships to be sheathed, and the work is entirely stopped for want of the nails and deals.	197
„ „	Robt. Daines -	„	Certifies that the Mary, Sampson, and Levant merchant entered into the State's pay at Leghorn, by warrant of Chas. Longland on 3 Dec. 1652.	198
April?	———	—	State of the Fairfax, and 10 other ships named with Vice-Adm. Lawson, as regards their victuals on board.	199
„	Henry Southwood and 4 others.	—	List of the officers and men on board the White Raven, when she was surprised by the Dutch on 11 April last.	200
„	———	—	Note of payments in the [Navy] office from 21 to 26 April for navy stores, 3,639*l.* 6*s.* 9¼*d.*; also 250*l.* imprest to Augustine Aldridge, Wm. Badiley, and Thos. Scott, and 6,000*l.* to Capt. Thos. Alderne.	201
„	Tench Young -	—	Receipts by Edw. Langford from Young of 40*l.*, 30 May 1653, and Christ. Andrewes of 60*l.*, 23 Feb. 1654, for timber delivered at Woolwich; also 4 notes from Wm. Piggott, Rich. Webb, Peter Thorne, and Wm. Ham to the Navy Commissioners, for Young to receive all money due to them for timber delivered by them at Deptford and Woolwich, 12 and 13 April 1654.	202–207
				Vol. 82.
May 1	Mathew Chafe -	Navy Com^rs^	Is ready to go on with the sheathing, having deals, and hopes to launch in 3 weeks. Asks whether to pay the sheathing all over with rosin and brimstone before tallowing. With note of directions.	1
„ „	John Greene, *Deptford.*	Thos. Turner.	Begs influence with the Admiralty Committee to appoint two officers to assist him in his duties at the yard.	2
„ „	Capt. Rich. Newberry, *Victory, Nore.*	Adm. Com.	Waited in the Hope until the 28th ultimo for the ships bound for the fleet, but only two victuallers arrived, and a hoy with provisions for the frigate built at Southampton; as those laden at the Tower and Deptford have not come, will proceed to the Downs.	3
„ „	Capt. Robert Wilkinson, *Weymouth pink, Newcastle.*	„	Has been forced in by bad weather, but will proceed to Major Burton at Yarmouth. Wants a pinnace.	4

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May 1	Commissioners for sick and wounded, *Little Britain.*	Adm.Com.	Examined the account of Thos. Biggs, surgeon, for attendance and medicine to 218 sick and wounded men at Deptford, and referred the same to the master, &c. of Surgeons' Hall, who think he ought to be allowed 120*l.* Major Robert Thomson, Navy Commissioner, has agreed to become trustee, and to give a bond for 140*l.* to secure the 140*l.*, and two houses in the Strand to secure 560*l.* for the 5 orphans of Capt. Thos. Graves, late of the Andrew.	5
" "	William Donn, *Walderswick.*	Navy Com^rs^	The frigate was launched last week, and ought to be sheathed at Harwich, as this is is a bad place, and she has no ballast. Mr. Shish being in London will speak with them.	6
" 2	Capt. Jos. Cubitt, *the Portsmouth, Ushant.*	Adm. Com.	Having received orders from General Blake on 27 April to intercept a Dutch ship from Marseilles bound to St. Malo, ordered the Paul and other vessels to ply about for securing trade. Rescued two vessels taken near Lundy by one Sadelton. Hears there are 5 Brest ships out. Has just received the proclamations of peace.	7
" "	Capt. Hen. Pack, *Hull.*	"	Particulars of his proceedings with the squadron under Capt. Stayner. Took a Dunkirk hoy, laden with various goods pretended for Norway, on suspicion that she was bound for the north of Scotland, to relieve the fugitives in hostility there, and has delivered her to the Commissioners for prize goods. Will convoy the ships bound for London.	8
" 3	Commissioners for sick and wounded, *Little Britain.*	"	Referred the account of Arnold Dessella-nove, surgeon, for attendance and medicine for 111 seamen at the Isle of Wight, to the wardens of Surgeons' Hall, who certify that he deserves 30*l.*	9
" "	Capt. Jere. Smith, *Torrington, Scarborough.*	"	Sent an account from Harwich of the money delivered to the governor of Landguard Fort. Came from Harwich with the Newcastle and others, and hearing that Vice-Adm. Lawson is 15 or 20 leagues distant, will make all speed to him.	10
" "	Alex. Farly, *Walderswick.*	Navy Com^rs^	Asks that the rigging for the new frigate may be hastened down, and orders as to whether he shall take her to Harwich or the river.	11
" "	Capt. Robt. Taylor, *Harwich.*	Adm.Com.	Has been detained by contrary winds. The Phœnix has sailed; will shortly follow her, and the Gainsborough will then be the only ship at Harwich.	12
" "	Fras. Baylie, *Bristol*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends certificate of a survey made by Charles Taylor, surveyor, of the ships building by him; begs an order to enable him to pay his workmen more than 2*s.* per day, without being liable to the penalty of 10*l.* and 10 days' imprisonment, ordered by the mayor of the city to those who give more. Has lost many men thereby.	13, 14
" "	Thos. White, *Dover*	—	Book of accounts of money received and disbursed for fitting ships at Dover, Jan.–April 1654, total 303*l.* 16*s.* 4*d.*, signed and passed.	15
" 4	Capt. Rog. Jones, *Dublin.*	Adm. Com.	Convoyed the vessel with provisions for the garrison at Ayr, as also that with the money for the Isle of Man, and on returning to Dublin, received their instructions which he will observe, as also those of Lord General Fleetwood.	16
" "	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	"	Has put up some of the proclamations in the public places of the town, and sent the rest on board the ships.	17

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May 5	Major R. Elton, deputy governor of *Hull.*	Adm. Com.	Published his Highness' proclamations in the town by beat of drum, and sent messengers to Whitby, Burlington, Scarborough, and Grimsby, for the same purpose.	18
„ 5	Thos. Scott, *Deptford.*	Thos. Turner.	Desires an order for the speedy repair of the old iron room or house in the yard, as it is being much damaged by the wet, &c., and has been surveyed.	19
„ „	Jonas Shish, Ambrose Dinnison, and Wm. Hayward.	Navy Com^rs	Endeavoured to purchase the East Country timber and plank, taken prize, but the proprietors asked more than it was worth. Demanded the 10ths, but were put off until the best was disposed of, when the remainder was offered for 10ths, but refused as being unfit for the service.	20
„ 5	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Sent their letters to Captains Cubitt and Heaton. Has ordered in the Mathias and Portland to be fitted, and will put their provisions into two of the Dutch prizes. Desires a supply of deals from Portsmouth, which may be brought in the Little Charity with the masts. Will publish the proclamations, and has sent some to Fowey, where there are 4 private men-of-war, as also to the ships at Falmouth. Sold some of the prize goods which which were perishable, and is preparing for the sale of the remainder. Has had a survey of the 152 pieces of ordnance, but only 20 are fit for the State; will order the rest to be sold.	21
„ „	„ „ -	Navy Com^rs	To like effect. Wants masts and deals - - - - - - - - -	22
„ 6	Geo. Roper, gunner, *Little Charity.*	Adm. Com.	Petition for the place of master gunner, having served 12 years, and been in the engagements against the Dutch. With certificate of Capts. Wm. Whitehorn and Thos. Wilkes in his favour.	23, 24
„ „	Capt. Jas. Abelson, *Mermaid, Yarmouth Roads.*	„	Has been plying on his station and forced in by contrary winds, and is short of provisions and beer. Met a private man-of-war on the 23rd ultimo, which he subdued. The Newcastle, Preston, and Maidstone have gone northwards.	25
„ „	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs	To examine the claim made to the Marmaduke, and report - - - - - -	26
„ „	[Ordnance officers]	—	Note that there are 450 pickaxes and 200 shovels and spades in the Tower stores - - -	27
„ „	Wm. Johnson, *Newcastle.*	Navy Com^rs	Desires payment of a balance of 15*l.* 13*s.* for hemp delivered for the State - - -	28
„ „	Capt. John Taylor, *Chatham.*	„	Mr. Mapstone, having bought several bargains of timber, plank, &c. for the stores, desires an imprest of 500*l.*; he deserves encouragement. Requests that the 5 horses limited by the Ordinance to waggons for drawing timber to the waterside may be increased to 8 or more, as some very heavy plank and masts have to be brought down for the works on the Resolution.	29
„ 7	Capt. Phil. Gethings, *Preston frigate, Newcastle.*	Adm. Com.	Received orders from Vice-Admiral Lawson to follow him with Capt. Adames; in sailing northward to man his ship, took a Holland dogger boat. Put into Burlington Bay through contrary winds, and then went to Newcastle for men, where there are 400 sail and 3,500 men, but the masters would not grant 100, and the officers have protections from being pressed, which are much abused. Will follow the Tarlington and 3 other ships to the Frith.	30

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1654. May 7	Capt. Wm. Ledgant, *Little President, Scilly.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Having orders from General Blake to leave the Fleet and coast between the Land's End, Milford, and Scilly, sends account of his proceedings, being forced in by contrary winds. A bark of Tynemouth has also come in, which was taken and plundered by a Brest man-of-war, who has two more of his consorts off the Land's End. Having only 3 weeks' provisions, will go to Plymouth to revictual.	Vol. 82. 31
„ 8	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Have examined the accounts of Mr. Green, the agent at Dover, and find he has been guilty of several breaches of trust by overcharging the State 26*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.*, and other sums, for carpenters' work on the ships which was not performed, and accounting for cordage and other provisions which were not used but embezzled; leave the matter to them, not being desirous of encouraging the guilty or condemning the innocent.	32, 33
„ „	Capt. William Cockraine, *Old Warwick, Falmouth.*	„	Has come in with 11 prisoners taken in 2 Brest men-of-war. Two vessels of Plymouth and Barnstaple were retaken, but the former foundered. Will return to his station between the Land's End and Scilly.	34
„ „	Capt. Rich. Cowes, *Cat pink, Kinsale.*	„	Left account of his proceedings at sea to the 26th ultimo with the governor of Kinsale; took in ballast but could not sail by contrary winds. The Nicodemus, with his assistance, has taken a ship richly laden, which he hears by Capt. Gookin, commander of Timilege Castle, is from Guinea, and belongs to the Duke of Courland. Asks supplies as he cannot obtain any unless he purchases them.	35
„ „	Fras. Baylie, *Bristol*	„	Regrets the frigate is not further advanced, but has been delayed for want of timber, and the proclamation that no carpenters should receive above 2*s.* a day, or they would be impressed if they took more, caused many to forsake their work; timber now arriving daily, and having leave to pay as before, hopes to have the ship launched and finished by the end of August.	36
„ „	Capt. Peter Foote, *Briar, Lynn.*	„	Came in the 26th ultimo, but the ship he was to convoy for Portsmouth had not received her provisions, and as the weather was rough, brought her before the town for more security. Will take in 14 days' victuals and sail with the first wind.	37
„ „	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Sent away the letter for New England. The Dover is sheathed, and the Swiftsure in hand. Gen. Blake has gone with the Fleet to the Downs; will send the letters to him by the Little Charity, now loading provisions.	38
„ „	Matthew Chafe -	Navy Com^rs^	Asks orders as to proceeding with the sheathing of the frigates. Has got the Winsby into the roads.	39
„ „	Fras. Baylie, *Bristol*	„	Wrote Mr. Roche respecting the dimensions of the yards for the lesser frigate, and sends his answer.	40
„ „	Prize officers, *Plymouth.*	Capt. Wm. Kendall.	To take charge of Wm. Hebditch, John Dorrell, and Paul Roch, and deliver them to such person as the Generals shall appoint, being enemies to the commonwealth.	41
„ „	Jas. Wilson, *Cadiz* -	—	Debtor and creditor account respecting ships and goods received from Vice-Admiral Penn, and sold by him, total 8,497*l.* 6*s.* 7*d.*; also note of moneys paid into the treasury of the Tower, and paid out for mariners, and for soldiers' prize money in the fleet, total, 19,723*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.*	42

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May 8	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	Adm. Com.	Sent the articles of peace received from Mr. Creed to the ships in the Roads, and Capt. Stayner and the Mermaid are waiting in the Roads for orders. Has got the Winsby frigate into the Roads, and will get out the other. Asks orders as to sheathing the small frigate.	43
,, ,,	,, ,, -	Navy Com^rs	To like effect. Sent the rigging to Colchester, and Walderswick, and has given a bill upon the treasurer for 500*l.*; desires it may be met.	44
,, ,,	Capt. Jno. Taylor, *Lizard, Kinsale.*	,,	Chased one ship, which proved to be an Englishman bound for Galloway, and afterwards a Brest man-of-war with a prize. Took the latter, which belongs to Limerick, and is bound for St. Malo, and has brought her into Kinsale.	45
,, ,,	Capt. Rich. Newbery, *Victory, Downs.*	,,	Stayed in the Hope until the 28th ultimo for the vessels bound for the Fleet, and two having arrived with provisions, departed for the Downs. Has had rough weather, but will sail again next tide.	46
,, ,,	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	The petition of the shipwrights who built the late frigates upon the usual contract for an additional allowance, in regard to the enlarged dimensions, is not against the rules of equity; they ought to be reimbursed what they expended therein, although the frigates are not according to tonnage measurement.	47
,, 9	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Bristol.*	,,	Has nearly rigged his ship, and will hasten to Hunger Road to take in the provisions; desires the guns may be sent down.	48
,, ,,	Navy Comrs. -	Generals of the Fleet.	Certify that Edw. Hunt, jun., entered into a bond to produce his son Joshua on 6 Aug., and that he and his father are about to enter into another for payment of such money as shall be found due to the commonwealth, according to a previous order of a court-martial.	49
,, 10	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs	Has received 300,000 nails and expended them in sheathing the Dover, Swiftsure, and others, and as much has still to be done, requires more. Has received a great parcel of sails from Deptford, although more have been demanded, while other things required are not sent. Asks the price of hair.	50
,, ,,	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Bristol.*	,,	Mr. Shewell has provided all necessaries for the Islip frigate, except an anchor and cable, for which an order is desired.	51
,, ,,	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Send a letter from the navy victuallers, and desire they will give order therein - - -	52
,, ,,	Navy victuallers -	Navy Com^rs	Desire order as to victualling the fleet just arrived in the Downs - - - - -	53
,, ,,	Capt. Rob. Wilkinson, *Weymouth pink, Yarmouth Road.*	,,	Received their instructions from Major Burton, and will sail to Harwich for 2 months' provisions. Is in great want of a pinnace and oars.	54
,, ,,	Robert Arthur, midshipman of the *Raven.*	—	Deposition as to the manner in which his ship and company were surprised and taken by 6 Hollanders and carried to Shotland, where the men were put ashore. The Weymouth and Sparrow pinks promised to assist, but as soon as the enemy came up, they ran away for Leith.	55
,, 11	E. Hayward, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs	Particulars of the distribution of canvas by the boatswain of the Resolution - - -	56

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1654. May 11	Capt. Nich. Foster, *Phœnix, Bridlington Bay.*	Adm. Com.	Sent their letter and the packet from Major Burton to the Vice-Admiral; will proceed to his station with the first wind.	Vol. 82. 57
" "	Col. Rt. Overton and Major Rich. Elton.	—	Account of Geo. Brooke of Kingston-upon-Hull, for fitting out a vessel by order of Elton to carry letters to the Fleet, amounting to 9*l.*	58
" "	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	Adm. Com.	Sent their letter for Vice-Admiral Lawson by the Amity. The Plymouth and Mermaid have sailed, and the Winsby is in the Roads, ready to take in her ballast.	59
" "	Commissioners for sick and wounded, *Little Britain.*	"	Thos. Jemmett, surgeon of the Oak, fired by the Dutch last July, lost his chest, books, and surgical instruments, value 30*l.*; recommend him for a gratuity of 15*l.*	60
" "	Robt. Thomson -	Robt. Blackborne.	Asks him to present and forward the following petition - - - - - -	61
" "	" -	Adm. Com.	Petition for an advance of 600*l.* on account of freight due, as also upon a discovery he has made worth 1,400*l.* Has advanced the State 1,000*l.* without any consideration, but has now urgent occasion for 600*l.* With note of his discovery of money in the hands of Capts. Crandley, Batten, and others, amounting to 1,450*l.*, besides 24,000*l.* which Capt. Batten has to account for.	62, 63
" 12	Capt. Jer. Smyth, *Torrington, Bridlington Bay.*	Adm. Com.	Has been upon the North and South Frith but cannot find Vice-Admiral Lawson. After taking in water and ballast, will sail for Harwich, where he hopes to be discharged from his frigate, that he may repair to his command in Scotland, according to the order of General Monk.	64
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	Robt. Blackborne.	The Sapphire has come in for water. Some Dutch ships meeting the western squadron lowered their topsails and changed their colours, and manifested great pleasure at the peace.	65
" "	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Ask an order to make allowance to such pursers and stewards as supplied the army in Ireland and Scotland with provisions, casks, &c. out of their ships' stores in times of emergency.	66–68
" "	Thomas Shewell, *Bristol.*	"	Delivered their letter to Capt. Tarleton. The guns have not arrived for the Islip; she will be ready in 14 days. Can supply the shovels at 2*s.* 3*d.* and pickaxes at from 1*s.* 2*d.* to 2*s.* each.	69
" "	Capt. Thos. Bunn, *Providence, Hope.*	"	As the ships he was to convoy for Hull had gone for Harwich, and those he was to bring back had also sailed, has returned to victual and receive orders. Particulars of ships.	70
" "	Anthony Wells -	"	Petition for the place of steward or clerk of the check in an East Indiaman lately taken, having so served in the Hannibal. With certificate of Capt. Rich. Badiley and two others in his favour.	71, 72
" "	Navy Comrs. -	"	Ask whether they are to pay the soldiers turned over as common men from merchant ships to the State's ships, as the men complain, and the commanders are unwilling to continue them.	73
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	"	Wants 2,000 deals for the stores. The Paul has come in to repair and victual and will sail to-morrow. The surveying will be completed on Tuesday. With shorthand note that he is to call the ships to him, as the Brest men-of war molest trade.	74

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May 12	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	To like effect. Will write Mr. Willoughby.	75
„ 13	Edw. Witten, labourer, and John Harrison, innholder, *Dover.*	—	Depositions before Edw. Prescott, mayor of Dover, that when the Golden Cock, a Dutch prize, was being fitted out in Dover harbour, as a man-of-war for the service, by Thos. Greene, Theop. Scott, the boatswain, embezzled large quantities of the rigging and stores. Signed by Rich. Raworth, town clerk.	76, 77
„ „	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Bristol.*	Adm. Com.	Has fallen down a mile beyond Bristol, where he will stay until the spring tides, when he will go to Hunger Road. Hopes to have all his stores, provisions, and guns on board by Tuesday next.	78
„ „	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Has sheathed the Swiftsure and Grantham, but is waiting for nails to put an end to that dirty work.	79
„ „	„ - -	Robt. Blackborne.	To like effect. Forwards two letters sent to Gen. Blake, as his fleet cannot be found - -	80
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Gave warrant for surveying the John Baptist fireship, and received the surveyor's certificate that she is now only fit for a victualler, and will cost 600*l.* to rig, besides wages.	81
„ 14	Capt. Robt. Sansum, *Adventure, Falmouth.*	„	Being on the French coast with the Dragon, met 25 Frenchmen from Havre de Grace, bound for Rochelle, and took 3; the others running amongst the rocks could not be had. Has brought one into Falmouth. Hears there are 6 frigates at St. Malo laden with cloth, which will put to sea on the 20th.	82
„ 15	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	„	Has given order for sheathing the small frigate. The Mermaid has gone to Hoseley Bay with the Plymouth; will forward their orders. A ship with 180 tons of ballast is alongside the Winsby, waiting fair weather to ship it. Asks whether his letter respecting the two chests of silver arrived. Two other vessels are waiting for a wind to sail. With note that any of the Vice-Admiral's squadron are to hasten to Hoseley Bay.	83
„ „	Capt. Rich. Stayner, *the Plymouth, Hoseley Bay.*	„	Convoyed the vessels from Yarmouth to Hoseley Bay. Sent the packet for the Vice-Admiral by the Amity, but he could not be found; it is reported that he is in the South Firth. Capt. King has also a packet and is going northwards. Had one at Yarmouth and hears there is another at Aldborough, which he has sent for. The Mermaid being without victuals, has had to supply her for 8 days.	84
„ „	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Has ordered the sheathing of the frigate on the stocks. The sea is so high that the Winsby cannot take in her ballast; has ordered her masts to be struck. The boatswain of the frigate at Walderswick is not fit for his place, and neither carpenter, steward, nor the victuals have arrived. Gave the crew of the Crow's boat 22*s.* to keep them from starving, and to follow her to Scotland. Thanks for dispatching his bill for 500*l.*; wants money. Asks the price of tar. Will send all ships that come in to Southwould Bay.	85
„ „	Phineas Pett -	„	Will launch the frigate now in his charge on the 22nd instant - - - - -	86
„ „	Capt. Peter Foote, *Brier, Lynn.*	„	Is waiting a large wind to convoy the ships out, this channel being so difficult and dangerous, it is impossible for any ship of ordinary burden to get away without it.	87

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May 16	Capt. Jno. Seaman, *Dragon, Plymouth Sound.*	Adm. Com.	Plying off Alderney with the Adventure frigate, met a Frenchman which had been taken by an Ostender, and being laden with English merchants' goods, sent her to Weymouth for examination. Plying off Dartmouth, met 3 barks of Lyme, and convoyed them to Morlaix. Also met 25 Frenchmen bound for Rochelle for salt, and then to Newfoundland, and after a long chase, took 3. Also met 13 Hollanders under convoy, who saluted with 3 guns.	88
" "	Robert Orchard, *Woolwich.*	Navy Com^rs	The bill made out to Edw. Webb was for bringing ballast from Greenwich for the Bear; it was a fair price; has not wronged the State therein.	89
" "	Henry Robinson -	Robt. Blackborne	Dorothy Harman having received a letter for the Commissioners which may secure her 6*l.* or 7*l.* for the loss of her husband, who was master's mate of the Diamond, asks him to get the amount raised to 10*l.* or more.	90
" 17	Thos. Shewell, *Bristol.*	"	The Islip being ready to sail, desires the indentures for the carpenter and boatswain; also an order to supply her with more stores.	91
" "	Capt. Edw. Blagg, *the Portland, Plymouth.*	Col. Jno. Clerke, Navy Com.	The Generals having removed his lieutenant into the Speaker, desires Jos. Budley to be appointed in his place.	92
" "	Capt. Robt. Wilkinson, *the Weymouth, Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	Has taken in 2 months' provisions by order of Major Burton and will sail to Yarmouth. There are 30 or 40 sail of fishermen in the Pier there waiting a fair wind.	93
" 18	Capt. Robert Saunders, *the Essex, Downs.*	Navy Com^rs	In pursuance of their order prohibiting ministers in the navy officiating after May without warrant from the Generals of the fleet, has discharged Thos. Ball, his minister, and given him a ticket.	94
" "	Edm. Poortmans -	Thos. Turner.	Begs that the wife of Mr. Page, surgeon of the Guinea, may receive the balance of his arrears. With note by Turner in reply that it will be paid upon his satisfying the Commissioners why he detained 4*l.* given the surgeon at Harwich, and how the State will be righted therein.	95
" "	Capt. Fras. Parke, *Great President, Aldborough Bay.*	Adm. Com.	Received order from Gen. Blake to sail with the Elizabeth for Hamburg, to transport Ambassador Whitelock, and to go down to Hoseley Bay to see if there were any merchant ships there bound for that port, and deliver an order to the Phœnix; but as they were not there, has weighed, and will proceed on his voyage.	96
" "	Capt. Robt. Drew, *Plover, Harwich.*	"	Received order from Capt. Smith of the Torrington to hasten the fitting out of his ship and attend Vice-Admiral Lawson. Sailed from Harwich to Tynemouth Bay, and plied about with the Maidstone and Preston, but hearing the Vice-Admiral had gone out of the Frith, returned southward, where he met Capt. Smith bound for Harwich, who sent him in.	97
" "	Capt. Joseph Cubitt, *Plymouth.*	"	The Constant Warwick has come in to revictual and repair. Other ships are plying about Ushant, Scilly, and the Lizard. Hears of 5 vessels of Brest out pillaging. Has seen no French ships lately, but met several Dutch, who were "very respective." Will hasten out again.	98
" 19	Navy Comrs. -	"	Want a boatswain for the Tredagh, built by Mr. Pett at Ratcliff, as she will be launched next Monday.	99

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May 19	Ordnance officers -	Adm. Com.	Have sold the broken and unserviceable guns upon Tower Wharf to Jer. Johnson at 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* per ton, and desire a warrant for a sufficient number of horses to draw them to his furnaces. Have surveyed the unused guns on the wharf not required for the service, and send particulars.	100
„ „	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	„	Care is taken to prevent the Brest men-of-war doing mischief, and to endeavonr their surprisal. The Sapphire and 5 others are to the westward, about the Land's End, and the Dragon and Adventure on the French coast. The Portsmouth and Constant Warwick have come in to clean and victual.	101
„ „	Capt. Joseph Cubitt, *Plymouth.*	„	To like effect. 5 Brest frigates are out pillaging. Met several Dutch, one of which with 40 guns was very respective.	102
„ „	Capt. Robt. Taylor, *the Gainsborow, Yarmouth.*	„	Could not get to sea through adverse winds. Left the Plymouth and others in Hoseley Bay, and the Great President and Elizabeth in Aldborough Bay. Took in a pilot at Yarmouth, and having a fair wind, will endeavour to reach his post.	103
„ „	Capt. Hen. Maddison, *Mary prize.*	„	Convoyed some colliers to the Humber. Hearing there was a pirate of 8 guns at sea, sent the Red Hart to lie between the Spurm and Norfolk to prevent his doing any mischief; will lie himself between the Spurm and Tynemouth Bar to clear the coast of all such pirates. Desires an order to Newcastle to supply him with a boat.	104
„ „	Capt. Rich. Brooke	Col. Kelsey and other Adm.Com^rs^	Settled a writ served upon him from the sheriff's office for 100*l.*; desires protection from arrest until he has waited upon them on their summons; having served his country 12 years, fears not to appear before them.	105
„ „	Capt. And. Eburne, 10*th Whelp, Lynn.*	Navy Com^rs^	Is sorry they are displeased with his carelessness in not finding out his steward's knavery; was imposed upon as well as the other officers by his smooth lies. Major Burton declined to supply him with victuals, but lent him 3*l.* Desires orders as to victualling at Yarmouth.	106
„ 20	Thos. Shewell, *Bristol.*	„	Mr. Baylie has fitted the yards to the sails, and will proceed with the great frigate. The cordage supplied the Islip was of the best hemp, and the ship is the best of her rate in England, but her shrouds must be changed, being too small. Will supply what is necessary at the cheapest rate. 3 ships are expected from Dantzic with hemp. Can buy cordage as cheap at Bristol as London, but wants dimensions.	107
„ „	Charles Thorowgood, *Portsmouth.*	„	The Great Charity and Discovery have gone for the Downs. Has sheathed 3 others. The guns have arrived, but no order to make their carriages.	108
„ „	Capt. Edw. Moorcock, *Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	The Dover is completed, all but men and victuals, and will be ready to sail when ordered -	109
„ „	John Lambert, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Will commence to sheathe the Lion next Monday. As his victuals were all put on board the Discovery, desires order to the victualler to replenish him.	110
„ „	Capt. Jonas Poole, *Swiftsure, Portsmouth.*	„	Has received order from Gen. Wm. Penn to bring his ship into the Downs, but wants order to revictual, or cannot proceed.	111

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May 20	John Packwood, *Woolwich.*	Navy Com[rs]	Will make notes of all merchant ships employed by the State which arrive or pass by, and send an account. The Industry has arrived at Long Reach, the Swan has gone to Deptford, and there are others in the Hope who are coming up.	112
" "	Prize Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Report on the petition of Thos. Pinder,—as to some iron brought on shore by the mariners of the Black Raven prize, seized by the Customs' officers for non-payment of duty, and taken to the Custom House, where it still remains,—that a bill was filed for its condemnation, but they are trying to clear it. The prize did not fight the ship that took her. Recommend an order to the Commissioners of Customs for discharge of the iron from seizure, to save time and expense.	113
" "	Capt. Jas. Ableson, *Mermaid, Harwich.*	Navy Com[rs]	Has come in to set his masts, to tallow, and victual.	114
" "	Edw. Boweles, carpenter of the *Mayflower.*	"	The ship was tallowed, but he has pumped every 4 hours 2½ feet of water, ever since. Gave the Captain a list of his wants, and has been lying in King's Road since the 22nd inst. Asks order.	115
" "	Capt. Thos. Benn, *Providence, Gravesend.*	"	Expects to have the ship off the ground on Tuesday. Desires order for the victuals, but can only stow enough for 4 months.	116
" "	Capt. John Bourne, *Marston Moor, Portsmouth.*	"	The sheathing of this ship is completed; will fit her for sea, but wants order for victuals and 100 men.	117
" "	Rich. Woollaston -	Robt. Blackborne.	Will leave the settling of his salary to the gentlemen; although the other officers have their 50*l.* extraordinary quarterly, his is paid yearly; he has also neglected to take perquisites, choosing rather to have what was judged meet.	118
" 22	Thos. Scott, *Deptford.*	"	The Selby is being launched and will be taken to Deptford to receive her victuals. She will require as much as the Pearl.	119
" "	Thos. Turner, navy clerk.	—	Certificate that the Navy Commissioners gave a warrant to Hen. Bigge, surgeon, to attend on certain sick and wounded soldiers and seamen sent up from the Fleet, until they recovered, or were disposed of.	120
" "	Capt. Thos. Elliot, *Wivenho.*	Adm. Com.	The Fagons Frigate is launched; is ordered by Major Bourne to fit and rig her, and bring her to Harwich in 14 days.	121
" "	Walter Marks, *Bristol.*	"	Delivered 54 barrels of powder to Thos. Shewell according to contract, and desires payment of 210*l.* 12*s.* Has 20 more barrels ready; asks whether he shall supply monthly portions, and receive payment accordingly, as there is 288*l.* 12*s.* due. Hopes Capt. Fleetwood has reported its goodness.	122
" "	Thos. Pointer, *Sovereign, Downs.*	"	Sends list of officers of the Fleet with particulars. Has dispersed the orders and instructions to stewards and clerks of the check, but with little effect; it would be a great benefit if able and qualified men were employed for clerks.	123

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1654. May 22	Capt. Thomas Sankey, *Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	Has been plying between Lee Road and Orfordness, but has not met with any shallops - -	Vol. 82. 124
" "	Capt. Jno. Smith, *Hector, Spithead.*	Gen. Blake, *Whitehall.*	Convoyed the ships to St. Malo, and intended following the fleet into the Downs, bat will now take in the 40 brass ordnance for the Naseby, and carry them to Woolwich.	125
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	Rob. Blackborne	Could not execute the Commissioners' orders, as the Hector had sailed for the Downs. Blackborne's brother follows his business carefully; hopes he will be a credit to him.	126
" "	Capt. Hen. Pack, *Amity, Hoseley Bay.*	Adm. Com.	Has sent an account of his proceedings between the Dogger Bank and the Riff; waits orders -	127
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell; *Plymouth.*	Adm. Com.	The Hector sailed three days since with the Success and several vessels under convoy for the Downs. Repair, &c. of ships. The Nonsuch has sent in a French vessel to Falmouth laden with wheat.	128
" "	Capt. Wm. Ledgant, *Little President, Plymouth.*	"	Since he lay off Lundy, has been chasing Brest men-of-war, but they escaped. Has come into Plymouth, but is not permitted to tallow.	129
" "	Capt. Rich. Stayner, *Plymouth, the Hosley Bay.*	"	Particulars of ships. Capt. King has gone to seek the Vice-Admiral. Is compelled to put his men on shore daily through sickness.	130
" "	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Bristol.*	"	The vessel has arrived with the guns; will try to be ready by the time fixed. Could not deliver their commands to the captain of the Recovery to stay in Bristol, as he left the vessel at Scilly, and she was conducted to Bristol by the Old Warwick.	131
" "	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	"	The Yarmouth is waiting for a westerly wind. The frigate at Walderswick was damaged in launching. The Marigold has sailed from Wells with the Iceland men, and the Weymouth Pink to the North Seas. Will send the 10th Whelp to Woolwich, and the Vice-Admiral's squadron to Hoseley Bay.	132
" "	Wm. Johnson, Mayor of *Newcastle.*	"	Could not deliver the packet to the commander of the 10th Whelp, as she had sailed 4 days -	133
" "	Capt. Wm. Cockraine, *Old Warwick.*	"	Convoyed a ship with guns and ammunition to Bristol; chased a small ship that would show no colours into St. Mary's Sound, and after exchanging some guns, secured her.	134
" "	Capt. Robert Seddon, *Mayflower, King's Road.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends proceedings in convoying vessels between Kings Road and Kinsale. Defects of his ship -	135

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1654.				Vol. 82.
May 22	Simon Arrowsmith, clerk of the check, *Taunton, Hoseley Bay.*	Adm. Com.	The sudden departure from Portsmouth prevented his sending the muster books before. Has been plying northward.	136
„ 23	Capt. W. Vessey, *Plymouth.*	Navy Com^rs	Has been plying beween the Land's End and Milford Haven. Came in to victual and then went to Fowey for a French prize of 300 tons. Is going out again for 10 days, and will then want tallowing, having been off the ground 13 weeks.	137
„ „	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	„	Will deliver their orders to the captains of the Little Charity or Fortune if they put in. Will supply the Middleburgh with masts, and dispatch the Portland and Mathias.	138
„ „	Capt. Thos. Daniell, *Hope.*	„	The Wildman is in Tilbury Hope, waiting for orders and seamen. Has 13 men and boys, but only 5 are useful; had 7 or 8 able men, but as they were not on board when the steward came, they had no victuals, and have since left. There are no men to be had here.	139
„ 24	Robert Hayes -	Robt. Blackborne.	Sends a letter from the Commissioners for sick and wounded, recommending the payment of 15*l.* to Margaret, widow of Thos. Thompson, pilot of the Heartsease, which was returned to them by the Admiralty Committee for particulars of the death.	140
„ „	Vice. Adm. Jno. Lawson, *Fairfax, Hoseley Bay.*	Adm. Com.	Sent an account of his arrival with his squadron in Aldborough Bay. Arrived here on the 22nd, as did also 6 ships from London richly laden bound for Hamburg, who said there were two convoys appointed for them. Heard that the Elizabeth and Great President had enquired for them, and then gone for Whitelock, the ambassador; so sent the Reserve to see them to the northward of the Flye.	141
„ „	„ -	„	Has just received their orders and will repair with his squadron to the Downs. The Advice, Centurion, and Preston have not arrived from the north.	142
„ „	Rich. Brooke -	Navy Com^rs	Will not trouble them further respecting the difference with Capt. Newdigate, and if he will admit he was either drunk, or in prison, or not of age, or was not the first proposer that the writing should be drawn, or was forced to anything against his will or the law, will consent to his discharge; being himself a poor man and a prisoner, only wants his due. Particulars of the case.	143
„ „	Capt. J. Lightfoot, *the Grantham, Portsmouth.*	„	Having been removed from the Falcon flyboat to the Grantham, and the gunner of the Grantham sent for to the new frigate at Maldon, desires the gunner of the Falcon may be appointed in his place.	144
„ „	Major N. Bourne, *Harwich.*	Robt. Blackborne	Does not perceive by the Commissioners' letter whether anything more than ordinary is intended as to repairing and fitting the frigates; if any time should be lost, or complaints made concerning defects, it should be remembered that he knew nothing more than what is requisite for these seas.	145
„ „	„ -	Adm. Com.	Sent their packet to the Vice-Admiral and will dispatch the ships when they come in. The Mermaid is in hand, and the Plover ready to sail. Will ascertain the state of the victualler's business at Ipswich, and allot to the ships their usual proportion. If the ships need extra repairs, for service in remote places, wishes to know, that he may provide carpenters, as little help is to be had there. The Fagons frigate has been launched at Wivenho. The Vice-Admiral has arrived at Hoseley Bay.	146

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1654.				Vol. 82.
May 24	Capt. John Gefferey, *Bristol.*	Navy Com^rs^	Being sent down to hasten the building of the frigate, found when he came down that the shipwright had much neglected his work the last two months, and only had 9 or 10 men employed; he will be 2 years completing her if not pressed.	147
" "	" " -	Robt. Blackborne.	To like effect. Asks whether the Commissioners wish her hastened - - - -	148
" 25	Alex. Farly, *Walderswick.*	Navy Com^rs^	The frigate is rigged and heaved down to the first shoal, but is delayed by contrary winds. Desires a carpenter may be sent down, as the surveyor has broken his leg.	149
" "	" -	Adm. Com.	To the same effect - - - - - - - - - - -	150
" "	Jas. Morgan and Jno. Powell.	"	Have viewed the 1,000 pair of shoes supplied by Jno. Armiger for Ireland, and find them agreeable to pattern.	151
" "	Major N. Bourne, *Harwich.*	Navy Com^rs^	Desires 20 caulkers to carry on the work required in 9 or 10 frigates sent in, also stores formerly demanded, or will not be able to proceed with the work. 150 sick men have been sent on shore from the frigates, and he does not know how to provide for them; requests the Admiralty Commissioners' opinion thereon, as also about the allowances to be made to some officers in the yard.	152
" "	" -	Adm. Com.	To the same effect. The Plover has arrived, and is more fit to carry coals than guns - -	153
" "	Capt. Thos. Bunn -	Mr. Sprigg.	Desires he will send down provisions for 4 months for the Providence, and give the steward a note to complete the beer and bread at some other victualling port.	154
" "	John Cruso, *Yarmouth.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Arrival and departure of ships. The two frigates built at Yarmouth are ready to put to sea -	155
" "	John Falkener, *Ordnance Office.*	Adm. Com.	Desires a convoy for the Rebecca of London, laden with gunner's stores for the Colchester at Yarmouth.	156
" "	John Every, *the Worcester, Harwich.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends amended muster books with explanations, and desires those formerly sent may be laid aside	157
" "	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	"	Will dispatch the ships ordered with all speed; desires order as to paying the men. The upper deck of the great frigate at Woolwich is laid, but wants some spruce deals. Asks if he shall dispose of a ton of old bolt ropes at the same price as those formerly sold.	158
" "	R. Halford - -	—	Account of provisions and goods taken out of the Red Rose of Amsterdam, and landed at the Bridge House and other places.	159
" "	Navy Comrs. - -	Adm. Com.	Received their notice to hasten the cleaning of the Great Charity and Elias, which are to be sent up to Gravesend; but Mr. Willoughby writes that the former was cleaned and tallowed a fortnight since at Portsmouth.	160
" "	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	"	Will dispatch the two great ships and 3 frigates now at Quinborow. The great frigate building at Woolwich is progressing; hopes to keep to the time prefixed for her "nuptial ceremonies with Thamesis," but she should be decked with 70 pieces of brass ordnance.	161

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1654.				Vol. 82.
May 26	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Sends certificate of Thos. Turner, clerk to the Navy Commissioners, that Edw. Rands was employed for 7 months last year as clerk of the check in the Merchants' Delight, and as he conducted himself properly and passed his accounts, is fit for employment.	160
" "	Vice-Adm. John Lawson, *Fairfax, Hoseley Bay.*	Adm. Com.	The frigates mentioned in the letter have arrived at Harwich; the Assurance being defective and out of victuals, has ordered Capt. Holland to sail to Gravesend. Will make all speed to the Downs. The Advice has arrived, and the Preston has sailed.	161
" "	" "	Capt. Phil. Holland.	To sail with the Assurance to Gravesend, and to give notice to the Navy Commissioners, that order may be sent as to where she is to be refitted.	162
" "	——	—	List of 14 ships appointed to ply between the Isle of Wight and the Narrows, with their several stations and duties.	163
" "	Capt. Edw. Blagg, *Plymouth.*	Col. Jno. Clerke.	Thanks for the appointment of Mr. Budley as his lieutenant, but a Mr. Catts has arrived, and states he was appointed by Gen. Penn in the Downs as lieutenant of the Portland; begs that he may be otherwise provided for.	164
" "	George Smith, *London.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Sends by Capt. Swanley the petition of the owners of the Harry Bonadventure to the Admiralty Committee, and desires it may be presented when Col. Rouse is present, as he will second it.	165
" "	John Powell -	—	Note of delivery of 1,000 pair of shoes, 100 tents, and 30 bundles of tent poles for the service of Ireland, to Roger Dening, of Temple Gate, Bristol, carrier, for Thos. Shewell, collector of customs there.	166
" "	N. Lucas, *Deptford* -	Navy Com^rs	Hen. Lane was pressed as carpenter for the Society, and being turned over to the Gloucester, gave him a ticket, not doubting they would clear him, for he was taken into slavery by the Turks and ransomed by Thos. Jones, whom he is engaged to refund. He is an able workman, and will be much prejudiced if not paid the 23*s.* a month when he might earn 40*s.*	167
" "	Capt. Robt. Taylor, *the Gainsborough, Leith.*	Adm. Com.	Arrived the 23rd, but has not been able to deliver anything on account of the wind. Hears he will have to go to Inverness with part of the money; will repair to the fleet the first opportunity.	168
" 27	Geo. Bilton, S. Drywood.	—	Receipt for 40 boxes of silver containing 40,000*l.*, from Capt. Robert Taylor of the Gainsborough, for pay of the forces in Scotland.	169
" "	Francis Rosington, surgeon.	—	Receipt for 33 boxes, 4 surgeons' chests, and 2 cases of medicaments, from Capt. Robt. Taylor for the army in Scotland.	170
" "	Capt. Thos. Sparling, *Assistance, Chatham.*	Robt. Blackborne	Thanks for favours; desires he will present his letter to the Commissioners asking leave to come to London for two days. Is getting out the guns, and will be ready to tallow the first tide.	171
" "	" "	Adm. Com.	Has come up by order of Gen. Penn to repair, tallow, victual, and receive further orders. Asks leave to come to London for 2 days on private affairs.	172
" "	" "	— Guging, Adm. Comr.	Begs influence to obtain this request - - - - - - - -	173
" "	Wm. Rand, clerk of the check, *the Preston, near Harwich.*	"	Sends check and muster books from 9 Jan. to 29 Mar. last - - - - -	174

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1654.				Vol. 82.
May 27	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	Particulars of ships. The Convertine went on ground a little below the castle; hopes she is not damaged. Asks for 2 days' leave to go to Woolwich.	175
„ „	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Bristol.*	„	Has taken all the provisions, guns, and stores on board, and is only waiting orders - -	176
„ „	Capt. Math. Browne, *Wren pink, King's Road.*	„	Has come in to revictual, having only sufficient for 2 days. Could not take in his full proportion of bread and beer, and upon applying to the victualler at Kinsale for the remainder, was refused, unless he would take other provisions in proportion. Not having received further orders from the Commander-in-chief in Ireland, is observing theirs.	177
„ „	Sy. Beckley and 5 others.	„	Certificate that certain pig oak timber, felled by Rich. Brookes, Wm. Austen, and Wm. Cook, in April 1653, stood in the parish of Bray, within Windsor Forest, and not in the parish or manor of Warfield.	178
„ 28	Capt. Phil. Holland, *Assurance, near Gravesend.*	Navy Com^rs^	Has come in by direction of Vice-Adm. Lawson, and desires further order. His foretopsail is split, the victuals spent, and many of his men sick, of whom 18 have been put on shore at Harwich.	179
„ 29	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Major Bourne wants an order for payment of salaries of a shipwright, master attendant, and storekeeper employed at Harwich. Refer the case to them, judging it beyond their own line to settle such matters. With note to postpone the case till Bourne comes up.	180
„ „	Capt. Phil. Gethings, *Downs.*	Navy Com^rs^	Was ordered for Scotland before he had received all the stores allowed, and has neither staysail nor shallop, though one was sent to Harwich after he was gone. Desires a boat may be sent to him at once, or the boat he has will drown some of his men, which has lately happened to some in the fleet.	181
„ „	Vice-Adm. Lawson *Fairfax. Downs.*	„	Gave Mr. Poortmans an account of the frigates that came in his company from the General, and another will be sent to the Admiralty Commissioners.	182
„ „	Thos. Bodle, *Vanguard.*	Capt. Archer, *Fox's Lane, London.*	Is now under Capt. Rich. Badiley; hopes Archer will consider of the wages due to him from the Fortune, and excuse him for leaving her, as he had very bad health while on the Irish coast; was in her during the Dungeness and Portland fights.	183
„ „	Chris. Pett, *Woolwich.*	[Navy Comrs.]	Sends dimensions and burden of the Swiftsure - - - - - - - -	184
„ „	Capt. Robt. Vessey, *Fox, Milford Haven.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Left Dublin Bay by order of Lieut.-Gen. Fleetwood and the Commissioners there, intending for Galway, but has been forced in by the storms; the Greyhound came out with him but parted. Will sail for Galway to see if he can meet with any rogues on the coast; desires order to come home before Sept., as his ship wants repairing, and being the best sailer upon the coast, she ought to be rebuilt.	185
„ 30	Walter White -	Adm. Com.	Petition for relief, having lost his right leg in service at sea, and been discharged from the hospital as incurable. With certificate of Hum. Fox, steward of the Bear, that he was admitted into St. Bartholomew's Hospital on 7 Sept. 1653, and discharged 22 May 1654.	186, 186a

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1654. May 30	Capt. John Parker, *Truelove, Liverpool Water.*	Navy Com^rs	Has come over by order of the Commissioners at Dublin to revictual, and to carry over Col. Hewson, but he has not yet arrived. Desires order to Mr. Walley to supply him with money to buy a boat. Will return to Dublin with speed.	Vol. 82. 187
" "	" "	Adm. Com.	To like effect. His gunner having died, has put Phil. Cook in the place, and begs a warrant for him.	188
" "	James Perrott, *Maldon.*	Major Thomson and Navy Com^rs	The hoy with the rigging for the new ship has arrived, but as there is no place to store it, nor any person to take care of it, or to discharge the master for what he delivers, desires some one may be sent down at once, as also an order to engage a carpenter.	189
" "	Capt. John Wetwang, *Sparrow, Leith Road.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends the check books; desires Nich. Loraine may be appointed clerk of the check, his clerk having been cast away. Has been plying northward, and is going to convoy a vessel with ammunition from Ireland for the forces in Scotland. Hears the Highlanders are plundering to and fro.	190
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	"	Sends notes of supplies given to ships from the West, as some of them might be called in and paid off. The Falmouth has been driven in with unserviceable masts and bowsprit, which he will supply, as also a suit of sails.	191
" "	Thos. Scott, *Deptford.*	"	Mr. Davies says he had a warrant to send the rigging to Maldon for the Jersey, to secure her safe launching. Could furnish all the rigging required, if he could have some spun yarn, as stuff to make it.	192
" "	John Morris, *Gravesend.*	"	Has seen the lieutenant of the Elias as to getting her on shore to wash and tallow, but will want lighters from Woolwich to receive her guns and provisions, as also order as to disbursing the necessary money.	193
" "	Major N. Bourne, *Harwich.*	"	Received 62*l.* of Thos. Waterhouse, and has drawn a bill on the treasurer for it. Received 200*l.* of Geo. Gosnall and gave him a similar bill, and desires they may receive dispatch, being on account of the commonwealth.	194
" "	———	—	Account of the condition of the Fairfax and 7 other ships named, when they came to the fleet under Vice-Admiral Lawson.	195
" "	Capt. Jno. Barnes, *Guinea, Folkstone.*	Adm. Com.	Received orders from the Generals to ply off the North Foreland among the mackerel boats, for their security, and did so until relieved by the Gillyflower; then went to the Downs, and has been plying with the Merlin between Dungeness, Dover, and the coast of Flanders, and searched all vessels met with.	196
" "	Capt. Wm. Whitehorn, *Pelican, Dungeness.*	"	Received orders from the Generals to ply between Dungeness and Beachy and examine all suspicious vessels. Saw several vessels from France, but cleared them; chased several others who stood in for Rye, fired, and brought one by the lee; the rest standing in, sent the pinnace with the lieutenant after them, but he has not yet returned, and it blowing very hard, has been compelled to come to anchor.	197

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1654. May 30	Capt. Anth. Earning, *the Bridgwater, Dungeness.*	Adm. Com.	Has been plying between Dungeness and Beachy by order of Gen. Penn, in company of the Pelican and Half Moon. Spoke with several vessels and French shallops, and made strict search, but has not found anything as his instructions led him to expect. Has been compelled to come to an anchor through the high winds, but will renew the search the first opportunity.	Vol. 82. 198
" "	Nath. Ashbie and Isaac Preston, bailiffs of *Great Yarmouth.*	—	Deposition that Thos. Hughit of Great Yarmouth, master, and Trustram Calloway, master's mate of the Trial of Yarmouth, came before them and deposed that their ship was taken up for the State on 19 Aug. last, to carry beer from London to the fleet, at 6*s.* 6*d.* a ton if discharged in Aldborough Bay, but if not then to be paid for as a victualler. That they took in 75 tuns and 2,000 wood and sailed to Aldborough Bay. Gen. Monk being under sail with the whole fleet for Holland, they received orders to follow, and on the voyage, delivered 10 tuns to each of 5 ships named; but a storm coming on, they lost the fleet, and were compelled, by the loss of the mainsail and rudder, to put back to Yarmouth Roads, where the residue of the beer, being 47 butts, 10 puncheons, and 1 hogshead, was surveyed, and being found defective, was thrown overboard.	199
" 31	Major N. Bourne, *Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	Cannot dispatch the ships fitting in port by the time limited, as many have a large quantity of victuals, guns, and stores which have to be removed. Carpenters and caulkers are wanted, and masts, &c. Has heard nothing from the Commissioners for sick and wounded concerning the 160 men sent on shore, but has procured them quarters, and taken their names and time of entrance, so that the State may not suffer loss by the people that entertain them, who would reckon fast enough.	200
" "	Navy Victuallers -	Navy Com^rs	Received their order to provide 6 months' victuals for 6,000 men for the summer's service, over and above the proportion formerly ordered, and have provided for 4,500 at Portsmouth, and for 1,500 at Plymouth, but desire a contract for payment; beg that what has been already issued may be understood as part thereof.	201
" "	Capt. Wm. Cockraine, *Old Warwick, Bristol.*	Adm. Com.	Convoyed the vessel with guns and ammunition to Bristol, but being prevented gaining his station by rough weather, and losing some of his cables, was compelled to come in. Asks order for a fresh supply and some provisions.	202
" "	Capt. Nich. Barnes, *Paradox, Chester Water.*	Navy Com^rs	The muster master has been on board and mustered his men; sends the book. Having come over to revictual, by order of the Commissioners in Ireland, and then to put to sea again, desires order for a supply.	203
" "	Wm. Acworth, *Woolwich.*	"	Cannot receive the provisions for the Marmaduke, as the store room is used for the carved works for the great frigate, and all the other storehouses are full.	204
" "	Fras. Baylie, *Bristol*	Adm. Com.	The goods not arriving, could employ but a small number of men, but has now 20 at work daily, besides 20 more preparing the timber; therefore desires a favourable construction on his endeavours to dispatch the frigate.	205
" "	Phineas Pett -	Edw. Hayward.	Accounts of board wages for seamen employed in rigging vessels, from 27 Feb. 1653–4 to 20 May 1654. [10 *papers.*]	206–15

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1654. June 1	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	Navy Com^rs	Has launched the Colchester, but she broke her rudder. The Winsby stays for a wind. Cannot get the Yarmouth out for want of water; there have not been such poor spring tides for 20 years. The hoy with the guns, &c., has arrived.	1
" "	Robt. Rawlings, *Barbers Surgeons' Hall.*	"	Particulars of supplies to Rob. Woodroffe, surgeon, first of the Worcester and then of the Diamond, and of his superseding Jno. Smith, in the Diamond. Have stopped two orders enclosed, from the Navy Commissioners to the treasurer, to pay the master and wardens of Barber Surgeons' Hall 3*l.* 10*s.* imprest, and 5*l.* free gift towards furnishing Woodroffe's medicine chest, Smith having been paid for the Diamond's chest.	2–4
" "	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	The Gloucester has been launched some time, and has not received her anchors; owing to the great supplies of cables and anchors sent to the fleet, could neither keep cordage nor anchors in store for the new frigates. There is a difficulty in making such great anchors, some having proved defective after being put on board, but all haste has been and will be made.	5
" 2	John Packwood, *Woolwich.*	Mr. Turner.	Sends the muster books of 9 ships named. The Richard and Martha has gone to London; the Marmaduke being paid off, asks whether to put her on harbour wages, and what number of men she is to bear.	6
" "	Thos. Scott, *Deptford*	[Navy Com^rs.]	Understands that after the Tredagh has come down, she is to be fitted for the dock; if done this spring tide, nothing will be wanting, but if the Newbury is launched, will hardly be able to attend her launching and bring her down to Deptford, and dock the other also. The beer for the Selby has been sent down, and she has her sails; if she waits for her provisions it will be the fault of those at Deptford.	7
" "	" "	"	Received their warrant to make a survey, with Boatswain Ansdall, of the remains of victuals in the ships in port, and of others which may come in. There are the Swan and 9 other Dutch ships, whose guns, sails, cordage, &c. have to be landed and housed, and no men left to do it, as over much work has driven them away; has only 6 left. Details of ships. Several hoys are at the quay with provisions, and the quay is full of the Dutch ships' provisions, and no time to house them. Received warrant to fit and rig the Jersey, but wants men to do it, and some one to look after the victuals. A hoy is laden with cordage for Harwich; hopes to have another soon ready for Maldon. Is in action from morning until night, and wishes he were able to perform more.	8
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	Navy Com^rs	The Middleburg is again mustered and supplied, and will have her sails when she comes in again to victual. Is much pressed by the surgeons and clerks of the check for recruits of medicine and money; asks whether to hold to the rules as in time of war. The Portland and Mathias are ready to take in provisions, and, supposing they are going a long voyage, the boatswains, gunners, and carpenters have made smart demands; will supply what is necessary, and demur to the rest. Note of money supplied to the said ships.	9
" "	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	The new frigate, building at Limehouse Dock, by Messrs. Graves and Read, will be launched next Tuesday.	10

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1654. June 2	John Froud, minister of the *Lizard.*		Deposition that Capt. Taylor, while in Wales, sold some brass pans, two packs of leather hides, and other things which he took out of a prize called the Trooper, retaken by him.	Vol. 83. 11
" 3	Thos. Shewell, *Bristol.*	Navy Com^rs	Has brought in the Mayflower; will survey her defects, and send an account. Demand of the captain of the Cat pink for stores. Sent Capt. Langham two certificates from Mr. Baylie, and desires the bills for payment may be sent to the Treasurer, and the amount paid to Langham; has already paid Baylie 600*l.* on account.	12
" "	Fras. Baylie, *Bristol*	"	Ask bills for the last payment for the Islip frigate, and for the first for the great frigate to Capt. Hen. Langham, having received their value of Thos. Shewell.	13
" "	Charles Taylor, *Bristol.*	"	The Islip frigate is completed according to contract, and 30 men are employed upon the largest, but the work is progressing slowly for want of timber.	14
" "	Thos. Hall, waterman.	Adm. Com.	Petition for restoration of his son Charles, an apprentice of the Watermen's Company, who has been serving in the Sampson 14 months. Is more than 60, and not able to help himself. With certificate of the masters and rulers of the Watermen's company in his favour.	15, 16
" "	John Ray, master of the *Rosebush.*	"	Petition for removal from the Rosebush, which is going a voyage in which he is not acquainted, to the Basing or Bryer. With certificate by Valentine Tatnell, jun., and 4 others in his favour.	17
" 4	Capt. Phil. Gethings, *the Preston.*	Navy Com^rs	Desires order for a new pinnace. Has neither staysails, iron hearth for his cook's room, nor half his compasses.	18
" 5	Thos. White, *Dover* -	"	Repairs of ships. Desires payment of his bill of exchange for 100*l.* - - - -	19
" "	Jacob Rows, late master of the *Fortune.*	Adm. Com.	Petition for employment as master of a ship, having served the State for 7 years, and been in the engagements with the Dutch; but the Fortune is called in and exposed to sale, and he discharged. With certificate of Capt. Anth. Archer, and 4 others in his favour.	20, 21
" "	Giles Heather, *Princess Maria, Downs.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends up two muster books; sent the previous ones to Commissioner Willoughby - -	22
" "	Mercy Wilde, *Dover*	"	Her husband cannot attend them to clear some mistakes in Mr. Green's accounts, as he has gone on a voyage to Newcastle; but what Mr. Green bought of her and her husband he paid for.	23
" "	Capt. J. Humphrey, *Nightingale, Dover Road.*	"	Desires a boat may be sent to the Downs, as his other has been staved by the weather. Is plying between Dover and Calais.	24
" "	E. Keling - -	"	Capt. Rob. Wilkinson, of the Weymouth, being indebted to him in 35*l.*, assigned a bond to him for that amount, and desires it may be stopped out of his pay; asks a bill of imprest for it.	25
" "	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	Particulars of ships; will be ready for the great ships when they please - - - -	26

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June 5	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs	Repair and departure of ships. They would be more quickly dispatched if the master caulker and boatswain of the yard attended their duties, but both have been absent some days, the former upon the bare pretext of pressing men, when others might be better spared; it is a mercy the Unicorn was not fired yesterday by the negligence of the caulkers. 7 or 8 vessels have arrived with beer from the Downs, and ought to be sent to the Hope, where they could empty on to the ships. Desires leave of absence for Thos. Whitton to assist Mr. Hayward in making up a great account for the chest; wishes the Ordnance officers would appoint some one permanently at the yard to see to their affairs.	27
„ 6	Capt. Wm. Coppin, *Adam and Eve, Downs.*	„	Has been at sea 14 months, and ordered to stay out two months longer; his men, not having received any pay, and their wives and children being in great want, has given some of them tickets for part thereof, and desires they may be paid, their necessities being so great.	28
„ „	Humph. White, *Wivenho.*	„	Desires orders as to hastening Mr. Page, the shipwright, in building the frigate; he is very slow and indifferent, although the masts are all in.	29
„ „	Comrs. for Prize Goods.	Robt. Blackborne.	Desire order as to disposing of the victuals from the Red Rose of Amsterdam, by auction or otherwise, as they are perishing.	30
„ „	Capt. John Smith, *Hector.*	Col. Clerke.	Thanks for setting him forth in so high a manner before the Commissioners; desires the command of a frigate, and although "Beggars must not be choosers," wishes that built at Ratcliff. Gen. Blake and Rear-Admiral Badiley are much for him. Begs to be excused attending, as it is pay-day at Deptford.	31
„ „	Charles Walley -	Navy Com^rs	Has given Capt. Parker of the Truelove 20*l.* to procure a new boat, and as he has drawn a bill upon the Treasurer of the Navy for the amount, desires it may be paid.	32
„ „	———	—	List of 11 soldiers that came on shore from the Mathias - - - - - -	33
„ 7	Thos. Scott - -	Navy Com^rs	The Tredagh is in the dock, but the builder takes no heed about setting the masts for want of men; her officers come to be entered, but are not fit to set masts. There is no convenience on board to dress meat, and if the workmen go out to get their meals, they will not hear the bell ring from dinner to work. Will sheath and get her out of dock in 14 days.	34
„ „	Major N. Bourne, *Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	Has had more to do, both in body and mind, than he wished, owing to the dulness of others. Particulars of works on 9 ships named. Has written the Commissioners for Sick and Wounded to stop sending further help, as a great part of the sick men are in a way of recovery, and their disease being generally scurvy, a little fresh air and diet will soon effect a cure.	35
„ „	Robt. Seddon, clerk of the check, *Bristol.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends his muster book. Is waiting in Hunger Road for orders - - - - -	36
„ „	Capt. P. Bowen -	„	Sends the muster book. Received order from the Generals to put 50 men in the Rainbow under Capt. Peacock, which accounts for so many discharges, and several have run. Mr. Baylie promises to complete the repairs in 10 days. Such of the crew as have served 20 months desire 10 months' pay, for the relief of their families.	37

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June 8	Wm. Donne, *Walderswick.*	Navy Com[rs]	Particulars of work to be done on the ship building by Mr. Shish. There is not sufficient water in the Haven to get her out.	38
" "	Rich, Dermott, *Tranmore, Liverpool Water.*	"	Sends muster books of the Paradox and others; having had fever and ague, employed a Customs' officer at Liverpool to collect them, but as the captains and others would not recognise him, was compelled to ride down himself. The Truelove has sailed for Dublin with Col. [Hewson] and his lady, and many more men of quality and their families. The Paradox is waiting for her provisions, and for vessels she is to convoy to Dublin by order of Gen. Fleetwood; there is great complaining on board, as the men have been drinking water a long time, and their provisions are scarce.	39
" "	John Simes, boatswain of the *Fortune.*	—	Deposition that the sails, masts, and rigging received from Thos. Green at Dover for fitting out the ship were mostly old; at the time of signing for what he received, he had not leisure to look over the book, the ship being ready to sail, but upon Mr. Green alleging there was nothing in it but what he had received, he set his hand. Subsequently found Green had wronged him in his indent, and in particular about a stream anchor and cable which he had not had, but Green gave him a certificate by which he received it of Commissioner Pett.	40
" 9	Thos. Scott, *Deptford.*	Navy Com[rs]	The purser refusing to supply any more blocks, &c., for the frigate at Maldon, will use what the stores afford, and ship the cordage when demanded, but the work is at a stand for want of seamen; if he can find sufficient to get the Newbury down to Deptford to-day, will be glad, though they come at high rates.	41
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	"	The Nonsuch has been cleaned, and is taking in her provisions; will dispatch her and the Falmouth with all speed; the Mathias and Portland want orders as to the quantity they are to take in. Has drawn a bill at 6 days upon their treasurer for 1,500*l.*, and desires it may be met.	42
" "	Thos. White, *Dover*	"	Received their order to assist the successor of Capt. Ody in fitting the Nonsuch, which is ready to take in 6 weeks' provisions and sail to the Downs. Capt. King is willing to cruise in the Channel, but his ship wants a new deck, a mainsail, &c. The Rosebush has gone to the Downs, and the ketch will follow.	43
" 10	John Packwood, *Woolwich.*	"	The Hector and Success having been paid off, and ordered to be laid up, asks whether to allow more than a boatswain and his servant on harbour wages on each ship; it has been usual to bear the gunner also on ships of their rate.	44
" "	John Tatnell, *Dover*	"	Desires an order to Thos. White to purchase some pitch, tar, and Gottenburg masts, about to be sold at a low rate.	45
" "	Thos. Scott and Wm. Badiley.	"	The remains of the victuals on board the ships lately come to Deptford cannot be properly surveyed, being stowed under platforms where a man must creep on his belly to smell at the bung; much of the beer is covered with cables, and the provisions are lying in such a nasty manner that they cannot be judged until got out and put on shore, which is a necessity, so as to repair the casks and repickle the meat.	46

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June 12	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs^	Particulars of ships. Has no great want of tar, having 40 lasts in the ropeyard, and 20 in Mr. Sewell's custody. The warrant to Mr. Pulman for delivery to Mr. Dennison of all the hemp bindings supposed to be sold at the last sale at Chatham has been received, but they were not all sold, there are 3 tons left; some 1,500 cwt. too small for the service were sold, which he will deliver. Is at a stand for canvas.	47
„ „	Edw. Denitt - -	„	Being informed by Rear-Admiral Badiley that they promised to effect his business to-day, begs serious consideration of his condition.	48
„ „	John Greene, *Deptford.*	„	Has seen the new certificate given to Thos. Penny, denominating him a seaman, &c.; as there is another grindstone standing in the plank yard, and no one appointed to it, asks whether Penny shall be borne upon the books on that account.	49
„ „	Wm. Serjant, *Islip frigate, Liverpool.*	„	Sends muster book. Arrived from Dublin on the 7th; had 15 weeks' provisions, 9 here and 6 of Robert Moulsworth, victualler at Dublin, and encloses his indent for the latter, having left his steward behind.	50, 50*a*
[June]	St. J. Steventon and Jno. Dymock,	[Navy Comrs.]	Accounts of timber purchased by Thomas Eastwood, purveyor, for the stores at Portsmouth, and received between 15 Oct. 1652 and 20 Feb. 1653–4.	51
June 12	Thos. Eastwood -	—	Account of the charge of felling and carriage of timber from Sussex, Hampshire, and the Isle of Wight to the State's yard at Portsmouth, 1 Nov. to 4 Dec. 1653. Sworn to, 12 June 1654.	52, 53
„ „	Capt. Rich. Cowes, *Cat pink, King's Road, near Bristol.*	Navy Com^rs^	Has been plying between Kinsale, the Land's End, and the Isle of Lundy, for guard of those seas and intercepting the enemy, but was forced by weather to bear up for Milford. By desire of the treasurer for co. Pembroke, carried 1,800*l.* of the State's money to Bristol. Has been detained ever since by contrary winds, and needing provisions and stores, applied to Mr. Shewell, but was denied without their order, which he requests.	54
„ „	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	Cleaning, fitting out, and arrival and departure of ships named. Has ordered a forecastle to be made to the great frigate at Woolwich, and doubts not their concurrence.	55
„ 13	Edw. Harris - -	Navy Com^rs^	Petition for the place of boatswain in the Sophia, the former one being appointed to the Tredagh frigate. Has served many years. With reference to the Navy Commissioners, and their certificate and that of Capt. Gar. Russell, Thos. Scott, and 3 others in his favour.	56–59
„ „	Capt. Jno. Sherwin, *Primrose, Hull.*	Adm. Com.	Has come in from his station on the coast of Scotland, with Capt. Smith in the Duchess, to repair and victual, both being much damaged by the storms. Mr. Wells, the victualler, being ready to supply them as soon as they are out of the carpenters' hands, desires an agent may be appointed at once to see to their speedy and effectual careening, that they may return to their station without loss of time.	60
„ „	Geo. Payler and Jno. Falkener, *Ordnance Office.*	„	Desire a convoy for the Thomas of London, with 500 barrels of powder for Portsmouth - -	61
„ „	Capt. P. Bowen, *Bristol.*	Navy Com^rs^	As the Mayflower will be out of the carpenters' hands next week, desires order for payment of her company; begs that those who have served 23 months may receive 10 months' pay, for the better relief of their families and the supply of their own wants.	62

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1654.				Vol. 83.
June 13	Henry Bromhead, constable, and 7 others.	—	Certificate that Margaret, widow of Jonathan Hart, late midshipman in the Worcester, slain in the engagement with the Dutch, is left with 3 small children without any subsistence but by her own hard labour.	63
" "	Wm. Knowles, clerk of the check, *Truelove, Liverpool.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends two muster books. The boat is almost built, they only wait a wind to go for Ireland with Col. Hewson. Wants many necessaries, the stores being spent, so will not be fit to stay out next winter.	64
" "	Capt. John Parker, *Liverpool.*	"	Mr. Walley supplied him with 20*l.* to pay for the boat and procure necessaries. Put to sea with Col. Hewson for Dublin, but the wind coming west, was forced in again.	65
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	"	Repairs of ships. The want of the masts from Portsmouth delays operations. Noted that a vessel cannot be obtained to send them.	66
" "	Capt. Rich. Lyons, *London.*	"	Mr. Rhocester, surgeon of the Taunton, having resigned on account of a law suit, had liberty to provide another, and engaged Mr. Ward, and as he is much commended by the company, desires a warrant for supply of his chest, the ship being about to sail.	67
" 14	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	Details of ships. Wishes the master shipwright would attend to his duties; has not seen him since he left them in London, and the less care he takes the greater the burden upon others. Wrote the Ordnance officers to send a person to look after the gunners' stores, but has not received any answer. It is not safe for him to meddle with their duties, although constrained to do so.	68
" "	" "	Navy Com^rs	To similar effect; sends account of provisions required, and desires some persons may be appointed to see them despatched. A surgeon is wanted for the Unicorn, and if not appointed at once, the sick will suffer.	69
" "	Capt. Edmund Thomson, *Advantage, Liverpool.*	"	Went to the Orkney Isles by order of the Generals, and after much tempestuous weather, in which he tore his cables to pieces, went to Ayr. As he is to wait upon the army in Scotland, asks for two new cables, a boat, &c. Noted that Mr. Walley is to supply him.	70
" "	Capt. Lionel Lane, *Deal.*	"	Being in command of the Triumph in the Lee Road last Feb., the lieutenant of the White Raven came on board, and stated that Capt. Hen. Southwood, his commander, had orders to go to sea, and that they wanted 80 men and had not above 30 efficient, but hoped to get more in their voyage. Three days after the Raven sailed without obtaining more men, as the Triumph was lying below her in the river, pressing men for herself.	71
" "	Joan Holbrooke, widow.	Adm. Com.	Petition for relief for herself and two children. Her husband, Andrew Holbrooke, was quartermaster of the Swiftsure, and in drying the ship's bread room, he met with an accident and lost his life. With certificates in confirmation from Jonas Poole and 3 others, and John Harris, churchwarden, and 3 others.	72–74

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June 15	Charles Thorowgood, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs	Since the Torrington has come in, most of her men have left. The steward met 60 of them in one company going for London, and being flush of money, mostly northern men, and no desire to go southward, it is doubtful if they ever return. The remainder left on board have now come on shore, and refuse to work any longer unless the others return, so has desired the assistance of the military to search for and carry them on board. Will send 20 or 30 labourers to heave up the beer and get out the provisions and guns, so that she may be careened as soon as the Laurel is done. The Essex has come in, and part of her guns are out. Asks whether he shall transfer the surplus men in the Essex, Nightingale, &c. to other ships, and whether the ships fitting out are to have more than their ordinary supply of stores.	75
„ „	Prize Comrs. -	„	Received their order for delivery of the Rose of Amsterdam, *alias* the Indian. Also a copy of an order of the Admiralty Committee to the same effect; request the original, as that, with a receipt, is their only proper discharge.	76
„ „	Capt. Robt. Haytubbe, *Little Charity, Deptford.*	—	Certificate that the bearers are 16 soldiers sent on board from the army 3 months ago, who have done duty ever since.	77
„ 16	Capt. Jno. Tippetts, *Portsmouth.*	Jonas Shish.	Sends an account received from Mr. Steventon - - - - - - - -	78
„ „	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs	The Bridgewater and Adam and Eve have arrived, the latter with provisions and 120 tuns of beer taken in at Dover, and as it cannot be removed without spoiling, will grave her in the dock and hasten her to the Hope, where the beer may be disposed of to other ships. Will launch the Resolution to-morrow and the Rainbow on Monday, if the provisions demanded arrive. Has sent to the victualler to forward the victuals for the 2 ships and 2 frigates in the Hope.	79
„ „	„ „	Adm. Com.	To the same effect. Wants a supply of nails - - - - - - - -	80
„ „	„ „	Navy Com^rs	The want of sails is such that he is constrained to send Morris to bring a wherry load to Gravesend, whence he can have them carried by cart.	81
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Send a survey made by Mr. Callis of the defects in the Little Charity, and desire order as to proceeding with the repairs.	82
„ „	Thos. Scott, *Deptford.*	Navy Com^rs	Supplied the boatswain of the Elias with provisions on demand of the captain, she being appointed for the Straits, but declined another demand without their order. Amongst other things, they want meridian compasses; cannot see any use for them in such a ship in the Straits. Will only supply them with what cannot be had, or only at extraordinary rates, where they go. The stores delivered to the Adventure, Assurance, and Constant Warwick for a similar design were very large, but if this small demand is supplied at present, it may be forgotten when a larger demand comes; if any ships are supplied, they will all look the same way.	83

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1654. June 17	Capt. Jno. Taylor, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs^	The want of the stores demanded causes great damage, for they have to saw up masts worth 20*l.*, where fir timber worth 8*l.* would serve, and to drive large nails where small would do, &c. Did not think the purveyors could have been so insensible as not to let him know what he might expect; wishes they had his cares and toil. The delay is attributable to that cause alone.	Vol. 83. 84
„ 19	Capt. Abra. Allgatt, *Dover.*	„	Sends the petition of Selnanes Smith and Gregory Moyses, seamen, late of the Fortune and the Essex, now in the Drake under his command, and desires that their tickets for the time they served in the Fortune may be paid, as they want clothes, and their wives and families are in a destitute condition. Has taken in 14 days' provisions, and will hasten to his station.	85
„ „	Capt. Phil. Holland	„	Desires that they will sign some men's tickets, and that Mr. Whiting may receive their money, as they are mostly dangerously ill; the perpetual sad clamor of their wives forces him to entreat consideration.	86
„ „	Robert Garrad and Wm. Allen, constables of *Witham.*	Adm. Com.	Send information of Stephen Gant and 4 others of Witham, that the black mare which was taken from Thos. Cottee by Rich. Swinborne, to carry letters for the State, was returned, that his wife afterwards rode to Maldon Market with it, and that Cottee offered to sell it.	87
„ „	Wm. Motham, bailiff of *Witham hundred.*	„	Certificate that he tendered the mare back that had been used for post to Cottee, who would not receive it.	88
„ „	Charles Taylor, *Bristol.*	Navy Com^rs^	Acquainted Mr. Baylie of the unfitness of the plank and sleepers to be wrought on account of their greenness; the timber is as good and sound as England will afford, but it is not well seasoned, which the contract ties the builder up to.	89
„ „	Capt. Thos. Adames, *Maidstone frigate.*	„	Sends up his accounts and desires his bills in return. Has been at Woodbridge attending the frigate from 3 Dec. to 31 Mar., when they entered into sea victuals; before that, was at great charge for 4 months, for which he desires recompense.	90
„ „	Jas. Jarvis, *Maldon*	„	Will get the frigate out this tide, if the builder gets a good hoy and a couple of lighters. There are 30 men on board wages, and more are expected; having passed his word for their weekly pay, desires money may be sent, or they must appoint some other man. When the frigate is where she can have her masts set, they will be 4 miles from Maldon, and there will be great neglect of business if no provisions are on board. Noted that he is to draw bills upon the Navy treasurer and they will be met.	91
„ „	Thomas White, *Dover.*	„	Sent to the commander of the Nonsuch ketch to bring her into Dover to be refitted, but as she was gone to Dunkirk, requested Vice-Adm. Lawson to send her in when she returns. Is daily annoyed by boatswains and carpenters of ships coming into the Road for stores; has laid out 200*l.*, besides supplying sails to the Nightingale. Desires his bill for 100*l.* may be paid, and another of 5 June; is out of pocket 200*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* since last payment.	92
„ „	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	Details of ships' repairs - - - - - - - - - -	93

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June 19	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs	To similar effect - - - - - - - - - - - -	94
„ 20	„ -	Adm. Com.	Details of ships repaired - - - - - - - - - - -	95
„ „	Capt. Jno. Sherwin, *Hull.*	Navy Com^rs	Acquainted them of his and Capt. Smith of the Duchess' arrival from Scotland, and received their commands as to a supply for his own ship, but nothing as to the Duchess, and therefore neither Mr. Wells the victualler nor Capt. Smith knows how to act, yet Smith should accompany him, according to instructions; desires they will expedite their resolutions. Both ships are being caulked and tallowed, but as his wants her furnace and mast set, and other repairs, must lay her on the ground to escape the neap tides.	96
„ „	John Yeeles -	Adm. Com.	Petition to be clerk of the check in the Cardiff, having discharged the duties during the illness of the former one, who cannot go to sea again, and is willing to resign in his favour. With certificate of Capt. Robt. Story and two others.	97, 98
„ 21	Jonas Shish -	„	Repairs of ships - - - - - - - - - - - -	99
„ „	Vice-Adm. Jo. Lawson, *Fairfax, Downs.*	Navy Com^rs	Received theirs directed to the Generals of the fleet, with the information concerning some of the officers of the Falcon flyboat, and the business is under examination preparatory to a Court-martial.	100
„ „	Thos. Phillips, sen., *Speaker, Downs.*	Mr. Smith, Navy Com^r	The tickets sent by him and having knots in them, were written by him during the illness of his son, and made so as to distinguish them from the others, but there will be no difference for the time to come, nor any reason to raise doubts.	101
„ „	Capt. Thos. Bunn, *Providence.*	Navy Com^rs	Wrote concerning necessary money for sick men, and understood it was to be paid to Mr. Rolfe, but he never appeared, nor have any necessaries been put on board. Has expended his own money, and is daily doing so, to preserve those under his care; desires they will order Mat. Clerke, clerk of the check, to receive the money for 8 months' victuals, so that he may be reimbursed, and able to furnish on a future occasion; if they send him an order to Leith, will advance money, and call upon them for it on his return home.	102
„ „	Thos. Shewell, *Bristol.*	„	The refitting of the Mayflower is nearly completed; will supply her with necessaries and 6 months' pay when she is in King's Road. The Islip having had new main shrouds, and the others shifted, has sailed, and was met by Capt. Grumwell of the Richard and Mary, who reports she is the best sailer he ever saw. Encloses an estimate for rigging and sea stores for the frigate building by Mr. Baylie, and begs their decision. Will provide the best cordage that has been put on any ship in Bristol, and as cheap as in London, or not 1*s.* per cent. more.	103
„ „	John Powell, surgeon, *Mayflower, Bristol.*	„	In going out his chest cost him 40*l.*; has since expended 14*l.* for recruits of medicine. Has diligently performed his duty, been serviceable to all the frigates on his station, but was allowed nothing for supernumeraries for sick men, and his chest being again exhausted, it will cost him 24*l.* more. Has served 20 months without receiving a penny, and has a wife and family to maintain, yet is now to be paid off with only 6 months' wages, which will neither pay his debts nor serve his own necessities. Begs an order to receive all or at least half his wages, so that his wife and family may not want during his absence.	104

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June 21	Robert Orchard, *Woolwich.*	Navy Com^rs	Works upon ships. Has endeavoured to procure seamen to complete the rigging, &c., at the old rate of 1*s.* 6*d*, a day, but unsuccessfully; so to prevent any obstruction, has promised them 1*s.* 10*d.*; asks whether he is to go on at that rate.	105
„ „	Com. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	Has been much obstructed in launching ships that have been graved, &c., owing to the tides. Is very full of business and working night and day; wishes the Plymouth had been sent to Woolwich. As the cook of the Convertine neglected his duties, appointed his mate to discharge them; recommends him for the place. Has much difficulty to keep seamen to their duty, and is forced to promise those that constantly attend 1*s.* a day out of the wages of those that neglect.	106
„ 22	„ „	„	Repairs of ships - - - - - - - - - - -	107
„ „	Thos. Meech, *Chatham Dock.*	„	The stores not affording a sufficient quantity of nails for sheathing the George and Plymouth, desires 100,000 20*d.* nails may be speedily sent down.	108
„ „	Robert Sewell and Peter Ellis, *Chatham.*	„	Has received 80 bolts of Ipswich canvas from Deptford, on account of the 224 demanded, but it will not be sufficient, there being many ships waiting to be fitted out; desires the residue may be sent forthwith.	109
„ „	Jno. Falkener and Rich. Poulter.	„	There being a want of canvas for the State's ships, desire they will order 2,000 ells to be sent into the Tower stores.	110
„ „	Capt. Edm. Thomson, *Advantage, Chester.*	„	Has applied to Charles Walley, and drawn a 6 days' bill for 30*l.*, payable to him, to supply necessaries for his ship; desires it may be met. Sends account of cables wanting and a boat, and hopes to be supplied with them at his next victualling.	111
„ „	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	„	Desires they will hasten away one of the chain pumps to Walderswick and the other to Yarmouth. Cannot trust the smith about the 3 anchors, as he promises much and performs little. Capt. Macky is ready to sail for Harwich. Wants men to rig the frigate, and a boat's crew to press when out of the Haven, as men will not work for 9*s.* per week, and there are 100 sail at the quay wanting men. Has given a bill upon the Treasurer for 50*l.* Is shipping cordage for Harwich.	112, 113
„ „	Jno. Wyles, *Mermaid, Downs.*	„	Sends two muster books; wonders those sent from Hull and Harwich have not arrived. Will forward two more before going out of the Downs.	114
„ „	Wm. Poole - -	—	Note that the Mary Rose entered into rigging wages at Woolwich on 8 Nov. 1653, and discharged at Woolwich 12 May 1654.	115
„ 23	General Geo. Monck, *Camp, Loch Lochy.*	Chas. Walley.	Desires him, in case Capt. Nutton, of the Satisfaction, cannot take in sufficient provisions for victualling his ship for 6 months, to hire a vessel to carry his beer; will see that he is paid.	116

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June 23	H. Kearsley - -	Robt. Blackborne.	Recommends the petition of Jas. Malun, a poor hoyman, who has suffered much damage in the State's service, and has neither experience nor friends to direct him to relief, and loses more by one day's lying still than he gets by two days' labour.	117
„ „	Manle Callis, *Deptford.*	Navy Com^rs	Have docked and are sheathing the Little Charity; sends particulars of her defects - -	118
„ „	George Barlow, clerk of the check, *Mathias, Plymouth.*	„	Desires the ticket of Nich. Smith for 6 months' pay may be stopped, as he obtained it to send home on plea of his wife's poverty, and has since run. The rest of the men have 13 months' due, and are discontented, as their wives and families are in much want.	119
„ „	Navy Comrs. - -	Adm. Com.	Cannot survey the Wildman as she has gone as a victualler to the fleet, but will do so on her return.	120
„ „	Com. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	„	The Foresight and Adam and Eve have sailed for the Hope, the Rosebush fallen down, the Bridgwater is launched, and the George and Plymouth docked.	121
„ „	Edw. Munday, *Woodbridge.*	Navy Com^rs	Wrote them what timber and plank he had bought for the service, and desired acceptance of a bill for 500*l.* on account, but hearing they will not accept it without further advice, and an account how imprests have been discharged, sends particulars of former bills amounting to 4,829*l.* 2*s.* 11*d.*, but thereon hopes they will order payment of his bills, that he may be able to go on with the business and not suffer in his credit. When all the timber is stored, will wait upon them. Asks whether to send a hoy with 60 loads of 4-inch plank to Chatham or Woolwich, and whether to purchase 200 loads more now offered.	122
„ 24	Thos. White, *Dover*	„	The Nonsuch has come in, but has no commander; the officers allege she is not fit for sea; she wants sails, ropes, a new deck, &c. Asks leave to forbear acting therein until a commander is sent from the Generals.	123
„ „	Christ. Pett and 3 others, *Woolwich.*	Adm. Com.	Recommend the boatswain of the Raven for employment in the Indian, as many of her seamen are willing to accompany him.	124
„ 25	Vice-Adm. John Lawson, *Fairfax.*	Navy Com^rs	Has asked the Admiralty Commissioners how much victuals the ships ordered to remain out are to receive, and on their reply, will send them in to receive it.	125
„ 26	Comrs. for sick and wounded.	Adm. Com.	Recommend 5*l.* for Lawrence Johnson, in whose house a sick man was entertained. [Damaged.]	126
„ „	Major N. Bourne -	Edw. Hopkins, Navy Comr.	Asks that Jno. Raynes may be heard before the Admiralty Committee on behalf of the owners of the Trial of Yarmouth, respecting freight due for carrying victuals to the fleet in Aldborough Bay, and that their allowance may be considered with all speed, it having cost them much trouble and produced but little fruit.	127
„ „	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	Navy Com^rs	Asks a month's provisions for 30 men of the frigate at Southwold. Sent them the same 3 weeks since, and would have done so again, but the victualler has not any. The Yarmouth frigate is waiting for a wind. Wants the chain pumps and anchors.	128
„ „	Wm. Hempson -	—	Account of victuals on board 18 ships named, in the Downs - - - - -	129

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June 26	Rich. Vinson, for Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	—	Receipt for 8 iron guns and their furniture, from Thos. Goulding, gunner of the Portsmouth hulk	130
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	The Convertine, from Chatham, has been lengthened 20 feet, and not sheathed; desire directions	131
	„ -	„	Send letter of Mr. White, that the Nonsuch has been brought into Dover, and certifying the repairs needed; desire directions.	132
„ „	John Walker - -	„	Petition for employment as cook, having served in the Great President and in the engagements against the Dutch, wherein he lost the use of his left leg, and has a wife and two children. With certificate of John Crossnib and Thos. Dower in his favour. Noted as granted.	133, 134
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	„	Recommend the discharge of Thos. More, boatswain of the Adam and Eve, through impotency in his limbs, and the appointment of another.	135
„ „	Rich. Dermott, *West Chester.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends muster books of the Advantage and Truelove, which are wind bound, and of the Paradox, which has to be victualled. Furnished Capt. Jones with 10*l.* to tallow and procure necessaries. Col. Hewson, with many gentlemen of note and other passengers for Ireland, are here, still waiting for a wind.	136
„ „	Wm. Sarjeant, *Islip, Chester.*	„	Is well manned and victualled, and the ship is an excellent sailer. Sends the muster book, and on the captain's return from Alderman Walley, will put to sea.	137
„ „	E. Hayward and Robt. Sewell, *Chatham.*	[Navy Comrs.]	Account of lots uncleared of the sale of old stores on the 27th ultimo, with the names of the buyers	138
„ „	Elizabeth Haward -	Vice-Adm. Gurden of the *George.*	Begs the discharge of her husband, Thos. Haward, who has been on board 7 months, she being very ill, and having 4 children to support.	139
„ „	Capt. Thos. Wright, *Heartsease, Tilbury Hope.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends the muster books, and desires further orders - - - - - -	140
„ „	Christ. Pett, *Woolwich.*	„	Is in great want of caulkers to fit out the ships; the master caulker pressed several in the river, but few have appeared; desires some course may be adopted to compel them. Details of ships. No time will be lost in carrying on the works.	141
„ „	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	„	Details of ships. Encloses a note from Mr. Sewell as to furnishing canvas. Has used old sails for years, but there are but few left; is in great want of tar.	142
„ „	„ „	Adm. Com.	To similar effect. Sends certificates recommending Rich. Johnson and Hen. Thaxter as boatswain and carpenter for the Tulip; as also another for a person to act as clerk of the check and steward of the Rosebush, neither of whom have appeared.	143, 144

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June 26	Capt. Jno. Taylor, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	Received orders to dispatch all the ships lately come in to wash and tallow, but several want sheathing and repairs. The master shipwright should not know the State's designs, but should know into what seas ships are going, and for how long, so as to fit them. Has known 3 ships having treasure in them of the value of a good fleet of men-of-war lost for want of this.	145
„ 27	Thos. Beaumont, steward of the *Eastland Merchant.*	„	Petition for the place of steward on the Tulip or Arms of Holland. Has served faithfully 4 years, and lately on a hired merchantman, which is now discharged. With certificate by Robt. Manley and Thos. Wilson.	146, 146a
„ „	Geo. Jones, shipwright, and 4 others.	„	Estimate on survey of the James by order of Capt. Hen. Hatsell; cost of repairs needed, 1,861*l.* -	147
„ 28	Geo. Kendall, *Deptford.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends the appraisement of the Black Raven. Has reserved some of her anchors, cables, &c. far the use of the State. Hears there is a new hawser lost out of the Indian since he gave the prize officers a receipt for her and her stores; as they remained on board several days after, cannot say whether they conveyed it away or not.	148
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Hearing from Mr. White at Dover that the Martin galley has come in much damaged, ask an order for her sheathing.	149
„ „	Wm. King - -	Comrs. for Sick and Wounded.	Sends account and papers of Charles Stamford, surgeon, for attending sick and wounded soldiers and seamen, and recommends that he be paid 20*l.* With certificate of Col. Barkstead and Edw. Hayward thereon.	150–152
„ 29	Major N. Bourne, *Deptford.*	Navy Com^rs^	Wants some full-sized masts for the frigate at Harwich, and Messrs. Wood and Roche, mastmakers, have some fit for the purpose; as they would deliver them without charge beyond freighting, much would be saved to the State.	153
„ „	Major N. Bourne, *Harwich.*	„	Wants two tons of oakum to caulk the Winsby and Yarmouth frigates, and some for ships to carry to sea; begs that the stores formerly demanded may be hastened down.	154
„ 30	Major N. Bourne, *Wivenho.*	„	Hopes next tide to get the frigate at Maldon afloat. The frigate built there has gone to Harwich, and having been supplied with necessaries, which he will pay for, has drawn a bill on the navy treasurer for 100*l.* Is going to Harwich, and desires they will procure a letter of credit from the army treasurers for payment of 1,000*l.* to him by the receivers at Ipswich.	155
„ „	Major N. Bourne -	Robt. Blackborne.	To like effect. Asks whether the Commissioners adhere to their resolution that as the ships are despatched they are to go to Portsmouth, for several are ready.	156
„ „	Capt. Jno. Sherwin, *Hull.*	Navy Com^rs^	Asks an order to Mr. Wells, the victualler, to supply his ship and the Duchess with medicaments. Noted that he is to do so if the former time has expired.	157
„ „	Prize Comrs. -	„	The Admiralty Judges have by their decree restored to Peter Mathews and Arnold Beake $\frac{3}{12}$ths and $\frac{1}{16}$th part of the Dolphin, taken prize, and since employed by the State, without any appraisement being made; as she is now at Deptford, ask whether the State has any further use for her, that they may the better observe the said decree.	158
„ „	Navy Comrs. - -	Adm. Com.	To the same effect - - - - - - - - - - - -	159

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June 30	Capt. Robt. Wilkinson, *the Weymouth, Burlington Bay.*	Navy Com^rs	Has been guarding the fishermen, who have had a good voyage and been undisturbed, some having from 35 hundred to 40 hundred fish; 50 sail of Lowestoft and Yarmouth fishermen, and some others have come here. Thinks his provisions will last another month or five weeks, when the north fishery will be ended. Has been forced into the bay with 14 of them by a storm; the Providence and many others are riding there.	160
" "	Thomas Shewell, *Bristol.*	"	Has given the Mayflower's company 6 months' pay, 449*l.* 13*s.*, and sends the book; has drawn a bill for it, and another for 500*l.* towards furnishing the Islip for sea, and desires payment.	161
" "	Capt. Hum. Morris, late captain of the *Fortune.*	—	Deposition that all the casks put on board the ship at Portsmouth, at her victualling in Feb. 1653, were on board when he left her, and that none were taken away or embezzled by him or by his knowledge.	162
June?	Edw. Hammond, *Vanity of Ipswich.*	Adm. Com.	Petition for discharge of Chris. Welby, his officer, pressed by the captain of the Yarmouth, although he had protections for his officers.	163
"	" "	"	Like petition for Welby and John Oullam, also pressed - - - - - -	164
"	——	—	Accounts of ships and their ladings in the Downs, 27 Feb.–28 June 1654 - - - -	165–171
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July 1	Geo. Tye, steward of the *Pelican prize.*	Adm. Com.	Petition for discharge; as the ship is to be victualled with only 40 men, his office would not suffice for his maintenance without dishonesty.	1
" "	Major N. Bourne, *Harwich.*	Navy Com^rs	Never received any cordage from Boston, and does not require any. Will send the victuals to Southwold for the frigate built at Walderswick. Will dismiss, as suggested, Wm. Ireland of the Taunton, and Dan. Gibbons of the Ruby. Particulars of ships. Desires to be advised if they advance any money to the surgeons or clerks of the check, so that the State may not suffer.	2
" "	Capt. Nath. Rich -	Adm. Com.	Recommends for employment Jeremiah Rich, who served under him two years, and has been in the engagements against the enemy.	3
" "	Lieut. Wm. Phips, *Paragon.*	"	Received their order for bringing the ship up to Chatham to be sheathed, but the officers allege it is not needed.	4
" "	Thos. Shewell, *Bristol.*	"	Received their warrant for Hen. Hassard to attend them, bnt he is very ill and not expected to live.	5
" "	Capt. Thos. Adames, *the Maidstone, Spithead.*	"	Upon Lieut. Wynn's bringing the money on board for pay of the soldiers, sailed for Guernsey to receive them, and is now sending them on shore at Portsmouth.	6
" "	Roger Baker, clerk of the check, *Swiftsure, Spithead.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends two muster books. His ship and 5 others named are taking in their provisions. The Adventure has brought in a rich prize of 500 tons, with seeds, drugs, &c. Asks leave to attend them to receive the money disbursed for sick and wounded men, Comr. Willoughby being absent.	7

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1654. July 1	Adm. Com. - -	Navy Com^rs	Order to appoint one of their number and a master shipwright to meet Mr. Pett and the master shipwright of Chatham, to survey the Andrew and Unicorn in the Hope.	Vol. 84. 8
" "	" - -	"	Order that on a computation sent of sails, cables, anchors, and other stores, as also the number of smiths, bricklayers, coopers, and glaziers required for General Penn's squadron about to go on foreign service, they be seasonably provided and distributed.	9, 10
" "	" - -	"	Order to provide the above squadron with 10 tuns of water in iron bound casks for every 100 men, and Cheshire cheese, butter, vinegar, and cider, and to certify what sum will be required for purchasing Spanish wine abroad.	11
" "	Mich. Hensley, *the Taunton, Harwich.*	Col. [Clarke], *Whitehall.*	Desires he will remember him to Capt. Hatsell, and procure him an appointment as master gunner or boatswain; is a lieutenant under Capt. Rich. Lyons; thanks for former favours at Scilly and Plymouth.	12
" "	Wm. Sheldon -	Navy Com^rs	Cannot give any account of the Little President, as she came to Woolwich and was paid off in Jan. 1654, in Mr. Packwood's time.	13
" "	Capt. Rich. Lyons, *Harwich.*	Gens. Blake and Penn, *Whitehall.*	After public exercise, started for London, and hopes to wait upon them to-morrow - -	14
" "	Major N. Bourne, *Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	The frigates in port will be ready to sail to Hoseley Bay to-morrow, if their victuals arrive, and they would be able to procure more men there. Was ordered to send them to Portsmouth as they were ready, but hearing that it is intended to pay them in the Downs, will send them there, and supply them with such stores as can be had; care should be taken some other way for things named. Ordered the Red Hart pink to carry the victuals left by the Plymouth to the frigates in the Hope, to prevent waste. Cannot find the steward of the Taunton, but believes he shall soon cut that thread; the captain is coming up, and will further inform them. Notes of ships.	15
" "	" "	"	Has sent up the Red Hart pink, with the provisions left by the Plymouth, and desired the captain to wait upon them for further orders; she would be useful in pressing men in the Swinn for the ships in the Hope.	16
" 3	Navy Comrs. -	"	200 tuns of Spanish wine will be required as a month's proportion for the fleet appointed for foreign service, and will cost 2,000*l.* Have given order for providing the cheese, butter, and vinegar.	17
" "	" -	"	The Indian and Hector at Woolwich being nearly ready to sail, desire officers may be appointed to them.	18
" "	John Packwood, *Woolwich.*	Navy Com^rs	Received their order for the speedy fitting out of the Indian and Hector prize and other ships, some of which will be ready to sail this week if officers are appointed to take in the provisions. The Princess Maria will sail to-day.	19

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1654. July 3	Capt. John Bourne, *the Essex, Portsmouth.*	NavyComrs	Hopes to be able to sail to Plymouth, with the Reserve and Gift, this week, but needs men; as the Sampson has more than her complement, desires the Nightingale may bring such as can be spared. Having several soldiers who desire to return to their colours on shore, asks whether to discharge them.	20
" "	James Jenifer -	Col. Kelsey.	Desires him to speak to General Penn on his behalf, as the General wrote that he was willing to employ him.	21
" "	Col. Jo. Barkstead, *Tower.*	Adm. Com.	Has delivered the gold medals and chains received from Mr. Simons to Jno. Powell; their total weight was 385 oz. 4 dwts. 23 grains.	22
" "	Jonas Poole, *Swiftsure, Spithead.*	NavyComrs	Desires that his accounts of disbursements between Italy and England may be audited, and payment made of what is due; gave Chas. Longland and Capt. Badiley some of his receipts, to enable them to pass their accounts, and they have since been paid.	23
" "	Navy Comrs., *Gravesend.*	Adm. Com.	Have been on board the Andrew, Unicorn, and Paragon, in the Hope, and have ordered them up to Chatham to be graved and sheathed, as they are only fit to remain at sea 8 or 10 months longer.	24
" "	Navy Comrs., *Navy Office.*	"	Send two letters which came under cover directed to them, and were opened but not read.	25
" "	Adm. Com. -	NavyComrs	Order, on certificates sent that Thos. Watson and Ralph Annerley served in the Fortune fireship as cook and boatswain's mate, to sign their tickets.	26–28
" "	" -	"	As the victualling ships in the river are not being refitted, notwithstanding the expedition required, and their casks and ballast are still aboard, desire an order to the navy victuallers to take out the casks, so that the ballast may be changed and the ships cleaned the next tide.	29
" "	" -	"	Order to make out bills to Charles Stannion, usher to the Admiralty chamber, Whitehall, for his quarterly salary at 40*l.* a year.	30
" "	" -	"	Order to discharge the Sun, lately come into the river, and turn 20 of her able men with their tickets over to the Gloucester.	31
" "	" -	"	Order—on a letter sent of Capt. Jno. Parker of the Truelove at Liverpool, asking for the victualler to supply him with 3 weeks' provisions, being bound for Dublin—that the victuals be supplied.	32, 33
" "	Capt. Robt. Robinson, *Greyhound, Milford.*	Adm. Com.	Has been plying on the Irish coast, but could only hear of one pirate, who has gone northward. Has come in for water and ballast, and will return to his station on orders from the Commissioners in Dublin. The information sent against him as to staying a ship near Kinsale was premature; she was discharged when found to belong to the Duke of Courland, and the master and merchant satisfied the Lord General, as also Capt. Gookin and Col. Townson, that they had not been wronged.	34
" "	John Hooper -	—	Receipt for 8 guns and their furniture from the Portsmouth frigate, by order of Capt. Hen. Hatsell.	35

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July 3	Wm. Greaves -	Navy Com^rs	Sends by order of Capt. Geo. Swanley the dimensions of the Harry Bonadventure, enlarged by him in 1644, also a note of the amount paid for her freight, wages, &c.	36, 37
„ 4	Jno. Spiller, *Portsmouth.*	„	Sends two muster books of the Gift frigate, and account of clothes supplied by Rich. Beresford, amounting to 87*l.* 8*s.*	38
„ „	Robt. Orchard, *Woolwich.*	„	There are 12 tuns of good beer on board the Gillyflower, but the casks want new hoops before transportation.	39
„ „	Jonas Shish -	„	The deals on board the Samaritan, belonging to Mr. Corbet, will be very serviceable for the State.	40
„ „	Capt. Thos. Elliot, *Fagons frigate.*	Adm. Com.	Brought the frigate from Wivenhoe to Harwich, and will lay her on shore to wash and tallow -	41
„ „	Capt. Roger Cuttance, *Langport frigate, Downs.*	„	Received the money on board, and will deliver it to the governor of Deal Castle - - -	42
„ „	Edw. Smith, quartermaster of the *Ruby.*	—	Deposition that Capt. Edm. Curtis, the commander, seeing the Report off the Isle of Wight, and wishing to speak with her, made sail, and in doing so, ran into her and sank her, with all her lading, rendering no help, and endeavoured to get deponent to sign a paper about it, which in conscience he could not do.	43
„ „	Major N. Bourne, *Harwich.*	Navy Com^rs	Has removed the furnaces out of the hold of the Ruby and Diamond into the forecastle, and desires that two new iron hearths, some copper kettles, and a ton of black oakum may be sent for them into the Downs; wants 2 bales of Noyals canvas and 2 handsaws. Having had several suits of sails made, asks what is allowed for the workmanship and ropes.	44
„ „	Navy Comrs. - -	Mr. Wells.	Order to pay the surgeon of Capt. Sherwin 3*l.* 10*s.* as a free gift, to recruit his medicine chest, and to send an account of what bills of exchange and imprest he has charged, and intends charging on the Navy Office.	45
„ 5	Phineas Pett, *Chatham.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Repair of ships. Recommends the bearer for employment, having sent a certificate from himself and Capt. Taylor in his favour.	46
„ „	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	Arrival and repair of ships. Desires the appointment of persons named as boatswain and carpenters for the Tulip and Falcon. Has surveyed some bad beef and beer on board the ships, and wishes some one was appointed to survey all the victuals, as well at Chatham as in the Hope.	47
„ „	„ „ -	Navy Com^rs	To the same effect. Will be able to furnish the Paragon and the 10 victuallers with the stores appointed, except anchors, longboats, and iron ware, which must be sent from London.	48
„ „	„ „ -	Robt. Blackborne	Recommends Henry Thaxter as carpenter in the Tulip - - - - - -	49
„ „	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs	Order that the Crow be laid up at Woolwich, her able seamen turned over to the Plymouth, and the rest paid off and discharged.	50
„ „	„ - -	„	Order that the Success be sheathed and fitted as a victualler to go with the squadron, with 60 men and 24 guns.	51

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July 5	Adm. Com.	Navy Com^rs	Order to make out bills for 30*l.* to Capt. Chas. Thorowgood, master attendant, and for 50*l.* to John Tippetts, master shipwright at Portsmouth, as a gratuity for extra work in fitting out ships last year.	52
„ „	Thos. Wilkes and Thos. Wright, *Chatham.*	„	Certificate that Thos. Waters served 7 years' apprenticeship for a gunner, and 10 years as gunner's mate and master gunner.	53
„ 6	Capt. Joseph Cubitt, *the Portsmouth, Portland.*	Adm. Com.	Carried the money to Scilly, brought back 3 companies of foot with their wives and children, and has put them on shore. Those in the Falmouth will be landed to-morrow. Is returning to his station.	54
„ 7	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	„	Expects Capt. Cubitt from Weymouth, where he landed the soldiers from Scilly yesterday, and will confer about ordering the ships and frigates westward. Arrival and condition of ships.	55
„ „	„ „	Robt. Blackborne.	Arrival and departure of ships. Has ordered the victualler to supply 10 hogsheads of cider to each ship, the beer being bad. Will furnish the surgeon and clerk of the check of the Reserve with money on account of sick men. Will endeavour to procure pilots and seamen for the squadron.	56
„ „	Rich. Newdegate *Pearl, Dover Road.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends a muster book. In sailing from Dover for Dunkirk, ran ashore through the carelessness of the pilot, but got safe off. Has brought back 10 sail under convoy from the Splinter.	57
„ „	Adm. Com.	„	Order for the Red Hart to be laid up at Deptford, the able seamen turned over to some other ship in the river, and the rest discharged.	58
„ „	„	„	Order on computation sent of stores required for the squadron of which the George is Admiral, that they be procured and distributed.	59, 60
„ „	Capt. John Bourne, *the Essex, Plymouth Sound.*	Adm. Com.	Arrival and departure of ships	61
„ „	Thos. Marryott, *Katherine's goal.*	Col. Clarke	Desires leave to attend the Council of State to answer what is laid to his charge. Has been examined by the Admiralty Court about things that he never had. As the ship has come in, his witnesses should be heard before the boatswain is cleared off, that the saddle may be set on the right horse. Has done much for the State, and deserved a better reward.	62
„ „	Capt. Edm. Thomson, *the Advantage.*	Navy Com^rs	Received 30*l.* from Charles Walley, and sends account of 28*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* expended thereout. Has all the provisions on board, and will sail to-morrow.	63
„ „	Major N. Bourne	Robt. Blackborne.	As there is a demur about the copper kettles and iron hearths, will send the ships to the Downs without them. Will attend the committee next week.	64
„ „	Abra. Pearce, *the Essex, Plymouth Sound.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends muster book. Has only 5 months' provisions on board	65
„ „	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	Repair of ships	66

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July 7	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	Sends the appraisement of the Nonsuch, and if they agree for her, desires a man may be appointed to take charge of her.	67
" "	" "	Navy Com^rs	The Andrew is launched and the Paragon sheathed; will get the long boats built for the victuallers. Hopes some strict course will be taken respecting the provisions sent to the Hope, as much is very unservicable, the beef bad for want of repacking, and not fit for foreign service.	68
" 8	" "	Adm. Com.	Repairs of ships. Recommends gunners, boatswain, and master for the Tulip and Falcon fire-ships.	69
" "	Capt. Ja. Terry, *Maldon.*	"	Having got the Jersey down half a mile, will set her masts. Desires a lieutenant and chaplain may be appointed.	70
" "	" "	Navy Com^rs	To the same effect. Having spent the money he received in London, will draw a bill upon them next week.	71
" "	Capt. Jno. Taylor, *Lesser frigate, Beaumaris.*	Adm. Com.	Has been plying on the coast of Ireland, Anglesea, and the Isle of Man. Met the St. Francis of Brest with her prize.	72
" "	Capt. Wm. Ledgant, *Little President, Milford.*	"	Has been plying on his station, and although he has not met any of the enemy, many are expected here against Bristol fair. Having only 3 months' provisions, and the ship being very foul, will go for Plymouth, unless otherwise ordered.	73
" "	Comrs. for Sick and Wounded, *Little Britain.*	"	Having received notice from Col. Berkstead that Charles Stamford, surgeon, had cured 10 wounded men, and deserved satisfaction, referred it to Wm. King, surgeon of Bartholomew's hospital, who reported that he deserved 20*l.*; recommend he be allowed 10*l.*	74
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	"	Particulars of ships. Capt. Bourne of the Essex wants leave of absence for 2 months. Asks whether the Adventure shall convoy the French prize up the river.	75
" "	Thos. White, *Dover*	Navy Com^rs	Account of boats, cables, anchors, masts, &c. in the stores - - - - -	76
" 9	Major N. Bourne, *Ipswich.*	"	Will endeavour to procure the extra stores, but cannot understand how ships appointed for such a design need more than ordinary stores; if the wind had served, they would have been in Hoseley Bay. Has drawn a bill on the Treasurer for 300*l.*; has much trouble to procure money to pay wages. Desires a surgeon may be sent to the Ruby in the Downs, also the iron hearths formerly demanded.	77
" "	" "	Adm. Com.	Victualling, &c. of ships. Has taken depositions as to the embezzlements by Rich. Barnard, gunner of the Winsby, and as he is a wicked fellow, and boasts he gained the Lord Protector's order for his place, has secured him. List of stores in his charge found wanting.	78, 79
" "	Capt. Robt. Blake, *Hampshire, Hope.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Recommends the brother of his former lieutenant to succeed him; he so served in the Hopeful, and was dangerously wounded in the engagements with the Dutch. The General having ordered his ship a supply of bread, and some more in the Downs, will sail this day.	80

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July 10	Comrs. for Sick and Wounded, *Little Britain.*	Navy Com[rs]	Desire examination of the case of Joan, widow of David Roberts, surgeon of the Fortune, who was drowned when that ship was cast away; request that their clerks do not in future certify on such cases without their warrant.	81
" "	Thos. White, *Dover*	"	Omitted in his last to mention two anchors that are at Deal. Has not received the 100*l.* on the bill he drew, and has since expended and drawn another for 163*l.* 2*s.* 9*d.* The Pearl has been to sea, proves tight, and sent for a supply of beer until her victualling is out.	82
" "	Capt. Giles Shelley, *the Colchester, Yarmouth.*	"	Was promised a press warrant from Major Burton, and informed that no conduct money was now allowed, otherwise could have had 26 able seamen sent down. Is in great want of men, and there is not one in the town who will accept a quartermaster's place, the wages are so high for several places, and the few here are so affected with the North Seas, and frightened with the sheathing of frigates, that he cannot get a boatswain's mate. Wants a boat's crew sent, and will impress the rest, as all he has cannot man the boat to get men, and when gotten, they must watch to preserve the boat being stolen from the stern.	83
" "	Ordnance officers -	"	Desire they will order 3,150 ells of canvas and 20 cwt. of tallow from the stores, for the use of ships	84
" "	" -	"	Desire order to the storekeeper at Deptford to supply 30 tons of junk for ships - - -	85
" "	Capt. Wm. Cockraine, *Old Warwick, Plymouth Sound.*	"	On arriving with the vessel laden with shot, was ordered to convoy 5 vessels with corn to Ireland. At Kinsale, cleaned, and took in water, and returned with a Jerseyman. Some Scilly and Brest men-of-war have been seen between Cape Clear and the Old Head. Near the Land's End, 2 Brest men-of-war chased a Plymouth ship; saw and chased them for 5 hours, but being foul, could not get up to them, so returned, and convoyed the Plymouth ship home. Is coming in to clean, and wants a new bowsprit, after which he has orders from Capt. Cubitt to put to sea again.	86
" "	Capt. John Bourne, *the Essex, Plymouth Sound.*	Adm. Com.	Will observe their and the Lord Protector's commands, and if the Nightingale arrives from Portsmouth, will immediately put to sea with his squadron.	87
" "	Capt. Gabriel Sanders, *Tiger, near Bredhempson.*	"	Has been plying about, and searched several French fishers and all vessels of which he had any suspicion, but found nothing of moment; having instructions from Vice-Admiral Lawson, has ordered other ships to ply in the neighbourhood, and will ply himself between Newhaven and Beachey. Sends the confession of murder of Jno. Baldock, one of his company, whom he has secured; but it is a matter to be tried in the place where it was committed.	88
" "	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com[rs]	To appoint Thos. Shorting surgeon of the Bridgewater or Indian - - - - -	89
" "	" -	"	Order to make out a bill to Capt. Robt. Swanley, and the rest of the owners of the Harry Bonadventure, for 2,796*l.* 16*s.* 7*d.* due for her freight, abating what has already imprested to them on account	90
" "	Capt. R. Haytubbe and 3 other officers of the *Little Charity.*	Adm. Com.	Recommend John Sayer, cook's mate, as cook instead of Thos. Jecklin, who desires to be discharged through illness.	91
" "	Jeffery Winchurst and Nich. Bradley.	Navy Com[rs]	Having orders to make some anchors, and there being a parcel of paumes at Woolwich not in use, beg to purchase them.	92

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July 10	Capt. Wm. Serjeant, *Islip, Chester Water.*	Navy Com^rs	Has received the 4,000*l.* and more on board, with Commissary Fowler; there are 3 vessels laden with biscuit and cheese which he is to convoy for Scotland. Has three months' victuals and 90 men, and will sail with the first wind.	93
„ 11	Capt. Jno. Sherwin, *Primrose, Hull*	Adm. Com.	Sends a survey made by James and Wm. Blaydes of the defects in the Duchess; particulars of those in the Primrose. Will be ready for sea the end of the week if the victuals timely arrive.	94, 95
„ „	„ „	Navy Com^rs	To the like effect. Also received orders for 3*l.* 10*s.* for 4*l.* 5*s.* and 4*l.* 15*s.* from Mr. Wells for recruits of medicine, &c., and encloses the bills. The Duchess is not fit to proceed to her station until repaired.	96–98
„ „	Capt. Edm. Smith, *Hull.*	Adm. Com.	Has hauled the Duchess on shore to find out her leaks, and as she is much worm eaten and otherwise defective, desires order respecting her.	99
„ „	Capt. Thos. Penrose, *Nonsuch, Falmouth..*	„	Took a ship of Havre de Grace bound for Nantes, with tobacco, sugar, and indigo, delivered her to Mr. Jennings, sub-commissioner for prizes at Falmouth, and is returning to his station. Has brought in several prizes, but no shares have been paid to the seamen; desires an order to Mr. Jennings to pay them what is allowed by the Act.	100
„ „	Rich. Vinson, *Plymouth.*	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Exeter.*	The Portsmouth has brought in a French banker of Newhaven, laden with fish, much torn in the fight; the Constant Warwick chased 7 others that were in her company, Capt. Potter taking two more. The Nonsuch has sent in another of Newhaven with sugar, which belonged to Mr. Opey, and was taken from him by the Dutch. Particulars of ships.	101
„ „	Major N. Bourne, *Harwich.*	Navy Com^rs	Has furnished frigates named with extra stores, and ordered the victuallers to supply water casks; desires that masts, oars, and pitch may be sent them in the Downs; the paymaster should have notice of their going there, and have their books in readiness.	102
„ „	John Hempson -	His brother.	The steward of the Entrance has received victuals for 220 men for 28 days, and his necessary and half fish money is due to him for that time.	103
„ „	Capt. Thos. Vallis, *Expedition, Plymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Has had his ship cleaned and ballasted. Put some men on board the Royal James prize, taken by Capt. Beach, and after she is repaired, will convoy her to Portsmouth. Has received 11 tuns of beer, and when the remainder arrives, will sail.	104
„ „	Capt^s Jos. Cubitt, *the Portsmouth, Plymouth Sound.*	„	Particulars of proceedings since leaving Portland. Spoke 4 Hollanders from Brazil, having the Dutch governor and many women and children; also Robt. Brookes of London from Rochelle, who reported that they had lately killed a Protestant minister, which has bred much discontent in those parts. Met 9 French bankers with fish, and made 3 or 4 strike their ensign, after which one fired on him; followed and took her, and has brought her in, much damaged in the fight.	105
„ „	„ „	Gens. Blake and Penn.	To the same effect - - - - - - - - - - -	106
„ „	Capt. Abra. Algate, *Drake, Bideford.*	„	Particulars of his proceedings in plying about the coast to secure trade. A Frenchman took 3 English vessels, plundered them, and made their commanders compound for their restoration, at from 30*l.* to 40*l.* each. Has come in, and desires order as to going to Plymouth to clean and victual.	107

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1654. July 11	John Thomas, Mayor of *Bideford*, Thos. Horwood, Mayor of *Barnstaple*, and the Inhabitants.	Adm. Com.	Thanks for appointing Capt. Algate of the Drake to guard their coast, as he has retaken and rescued divers vessels taken by a Brest frigate, chased a pirate for 2 hours, and would have taken her if his ship had not been so foul. He has orders to go to Plymouth to clean and revictual, and his absence may be dangerous; desire that it may be done at Bideford or Barnstaple, as it can be done as effectually and cheap there as elsewhere. With reference thereon 14 July to the Navy Commissioners, to confer with the victuallers about supplying the Drake at or near Barnstaple.	Vol. 84. 108, 109
„ „	Henry Maber, clerk of the check.	Navy Com.	Has had the ship on shore to be trimmed, but with little effect, she being so much eaten by worms that a man can see daylight in the hold. All the men are willing to do service in a ship that is serviceable.	110
„ 12	Capt. Roger Cuttance, *Langport, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	Having received 50 seamen from the Cock, by order of Vice-Admiral Lawson, desires leave to retain them, as he is 50 short of his complement.	111
„ „	Capt. John Bourne, *the Essex, Plymouth.*	Mr. Blackborne.	Has dispatched the Milbrough and Paul to the Sound, and upon the arrival of the Nightingale, will sail with his squadron, and improve his utmost in this expedition.	112
„ „	Capt. Rich. Stayner, *London.*	Adm. Com.	Wants boatswain's stores for the Catherine, being commanded on board by General Blake -	113
„ „	Capt. Anth. Earning, *the Bridgewater, Hope.*	„	Has only 130 men and boys on board; the ships coming up are stripped of men before they arrive, and those coming down have protection for their men; has sent up his lieutenant for further commands.	114
„ „	Commrs. for Sick and Wounded, *Little Britain.*	Navy Com^{rs}	Send the papers relating to Jane, widow of David Roberts, late surgeon of the Fortune fire ship, which was cast away; as one of them has been mutilated, and gives occasion to suspect indirect dealings, desire their reconsideration thereof.	115
„ „	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	„	Has had a survey made of the provisions in the stores, and hopes to be able to supply the cables, sails, &c. required. The Portland has arrived from Plymouth for repairs; the Lily being cast away, her men have applied for some gratuity for the loss of their clothes. Asks orders therein, also some press warrants. Peter Fowle, a seaman residing in Katherine's Lane, should be arrested for stealing the Dover's boat.	116
„ „	„ „	Adm. Com.	Transferred 40 men from the Sampson to the Nightingale, and she has since sailed for Plymouth. The ships at Portsmouth want 6 or 700 men to complete their number; 100 might be taken out of the Hound and distributed. The Maidstone has landed her soldiers and gone for the Downs. The provisions are very defective.	117
„ „	Wm. Wilkinson, captain, and Robt. Alexander, carpenter of the *Exchange.*	—	Depositions that being in company with 2 other ships between the Isle of Wight and Portland, they were chased by two of the State's frigates, and had a narrow escape of being sunk.	118

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1654. July 12	Capt. Anth. Tucker, *Entrance.*	—	Certificate that Nath. Noyes, his surgeon, having had several sick men, has spent all his allowance and medicines; also that the 6 months' victuals are exhausted.	Vol. 84. 119
" "	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs^	Repairs and furnishing of ships - - - - - - - - - -	120
" 13	" "	Adm. Com.	Arrival, repair, and departure of ships named - - - - - - - -	121
" "	Adm. Com . -	Navy Com^rs^	Order to take a bill of sale from Capt. King, and the other owners of the Nonsuch ketch, and make out a bill to them for 280*l.*, she being required for the State. With her appraisement at 334*l.* 10*s.*	122, 123
" "	" " -	"	Order to furnish John Carter, appointed steward of the Swiftsure, with necessary instructions.	124
" "	" " -	"	Order to the Nonsuch ketch to attend the squadron of which the George is Admiral - -	125
" "	" " -	"	Send the names of 8 ships arrived in the Downs, and as two want victuals, have ordered one to Dover, and the other to Chatham, and desire they may be supplied.	126
" "	Thos. Davies, clerk of the check, *Gainsborough Frigate.*	Major Gen. Desborough	Desires protection from the ill treatment of Capt. Robert Taylor, arising from his having reported several speeches made by Taylor's favourite, Mr. Bradley, against Government, which being proved before a court-martial, Bradley was ordered to be removed from the ship.	127
" "	Capt. H. Maddison, *Mary Prize, Tynemouth.*	Adm. Com.	Has been cruising on his station, but did not meet with any of the enemy, although he heard two French men-of-war were upon the coast; wants a boat having lost the other. Noted that he is to come home with the next fleet of colliers.	128
" "	Capt. Robt. Mill, *the Falmouth, off the Lizard.*	Gen. Robt. Blake.	Has been plying between the Lizard and the Dudman, and searched several ships and vessels for persons suspected to be enemies, but did not find any. Met 4 Hollanders from Brazil, who had the General of Brazil and the Lords on board, and who spoke well of the Portuguese. Also met a Brest man-of-war with a collier taken prize, and released her. His lieutenant left him at Weymouth when he landed the soldiers.	129
" "	Thos. Brookes -	Lieut. Col. Kelsey.	Recommends Geo. Tye, late steward of the Pelican prize, for employment. He is of good repute and has served the State 7 years.	130
" 14	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs^	Order to make out a bill to Major Rich. Elton of Hull for 7*l.* for himself and Capt. Geo. Brooke, for conveying packets for the service of the State.	131
" "	" " -	"	Order for refitting the Merlin at Dover, she being appointed to attend the squadron commanded by the George.	132
" "	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Recommend Jeremy Rich for employment as clerk of the check - - - -	133

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1654.				Vol. 84.
July 14	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Gave a warrant as ordered to John Hawes as steward of the Dolphin, and find they have appointed John Gaspy; beg they will find Gaspy some other employment or recall the first order.	134
" "	Robt. Blackborne, *Whitehall.*	Navy Com^rs	The Admiralty Committee, being dissatisfied with John Hawes, have appointed John Gaspy steward of the Dolphin.	135
" "	John Hawes -	Col. John Clarke, Adm. Comr.	Petition for a hearing before him or the Admiralty Commissioners on an accusation against him. Has served 20 years, and on the late change from stewards to pursers, was set down for the Dartmouth, and had a certificate from the mayor and magistrates of Portsmouth. Noted, "a base fellow, so reported by many."	136
" "	" "	Adm. Com.	Petition to be purser on the new frigate. Has been purser on many ships since the difference between King and Parliament, but last Feb. was unable to serve on the Convert, being ill.	137
" "	Stephen Trevell, curator to the 5 children of Capt. Thos. Salmon, of the *Gift.*	"	Petition for leave to seize and receive Salmon's goods, wages and prize money, he being slain in the engagement with the Dutch. With reference to the Navy Commissioners to give order accordingly.	138
" "	Robt. Blackborne, *Whitehall.*	Navy Com^rs	To grant a press warrant to the Lieutenant of the Lyme for seamen in the west - - -	139
" 15	Capt. John Bourne, *the Essex, Plymouth Sound.*	Adm. Com.	Has been waiting for the Nightingale from Portsmouth, but will sail for the Start to-morrow, with the Essex and 4 others.	140
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	"	Captain Limbery having come down, hopes obstacles detailed as to victualling the ships will be removed. The Nightingale has been detained by foul weather, but sailed on Thursday, and the Convert with her hoy to-day for her former station. The Adventure is also ready to sail with the French prize.	141
" "	Col. Jno. Barkstead, *Tower.*	Navy Com.	Recommends Robert Lawrence and Robt. Watts, soldiers in his company, for the 11 months' pay due to them for serving in the Little Charity.	142
" 17	Adm. Com. -	"	Desire that the squadron, of which the George is the Admiral, be supplied with the stores ordered with all expedition. Are surprised at the backwardness of the Success and Hector.	143
" "	" " -	"	Order to make out a bill to Thomas Shewell for 24*l.* 12*s.* 11*d.* for shovels and packages - -	144
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Hopes the members elected in the West will be competent for the great work to which they are called. The Nightingale has arrived, and Capt. Browne is only waiting for a wind. Capt. Heaton has also come in. Blackborne's brother is well, and will write him to-morrow.	145
" "	Capt. Robt. Sansum, *Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	Has sailed with the prize for the Downs, but as his frigate is very foul, and a bad sailer, desires order for washing and tallowing.	146

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July 17	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	There are great complaints of the badness of the beer on board the Dover, Laurel, and Torrington, and as the great brewhouse is not able to supply more from want of water, and the other two in the town will not brew above 100 tuns a week, fears the work will drive heavily, and for want of the beer, the dry provisions and other stores cannot be stowed.	147
„ „	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	„	Will send the Nonsuch to her station as directed. Capt. Bourne was forced back by foul winds, the Paul having cracked her maintopmast. The Nightingale and Old Warwick have come in, the latter to repair and victual.	148
„ „	Capt. John Bourne, *the Essex, Plymouth Sound.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sailed to the Start with his squadron, but the weather being thick, returned to the Sound, to meet the Nightingale; her victuals and water having miscarried, she had to be supplied. Will put to sea again with the first wind.	149
„ „	Jas. Moodie, clerk of the check, *the Winsby, Harwich.*	„	Could not send the muster book, through the proceedings for embezzlement taken against the gunner, who has been sent to the General in the Downs for trial.	150
„ „	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	Adm. Com.	The Yarmouth and Bason are at Harwich, ready for employment. Has sent there 50 tons of cordage and 10 of iron, and as soon as the Colchester is dispatched, will wait upon them.	151
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„ 18	Major N. Bourne -	„	Desires payment of 32*l.* for travelling expenses to and from Harwich, Yarmouth, and other places about removing the sick and wounded, to save the public charge; also for surveying the frigates building upon the coast. Also consideration for extra expenses in keeping a table whilst at Harwich from Sept. to Dec.	1
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	„	The Mary, Wildman, and Hope victuallers having been sent in by the Generals; ask directions as to their disposal.	2
„ „	Capt. John Clarke, *the Selby, Hope.*	„	Particulars of an assault committed on some of his officers by the company of the King Ferdinando, when they went on board to execute a press warrant.	3
„ „	Capt. Thos. Vallis, *Portsmouth.*	„	The Sorlings having been manned and fitted, has convoyed her to Portsmouth and desires orders, also boatswain's stores. She was formerly called the Royal James, and was taken by Capt. Potter from Capt. Beach.	4
„ „	Capt. Jos. Cubitt, *the Portsmouth, Plymouth Sound.*	„	Cruising westward, met the Constant Warwick, and with her assistance, took 8 bank fishing boats of 3 and 4 guns each, laden for Newhaven. Thinks the Constant Warwick is at Torbay with 6 of them. Will put to sea again when refitted and his men returned.	5
„ 19	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends account of sails and stores which may be spared if needed. Beach's vessel has arrived from Plymouth, much tattered, and will require great expense. Desires he will inform Mr. Payler that they are selling guns at 15*s.* per cwt.	6
„ „	Cap. Jonathan Hide, *Hound, Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	As his frigate is designed for some other service when fitted, desires removal into another. -	7

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July 19	Jas. Clarke, *Lynn* -	Navy Com^rs^	The ships refused to take in the cables contracted for, on account of their bulk, there being 14, weighing 21½ tons, but has now shipped them on one belonging to Godfrey Browne of Lynn, which is waiting for a wind.	8
„ „	Vin. Gookin, *Crockham Pill.*	Adm. Com.	On coming to Bristol, found much division between the officers and company of the Mayflower; inquired into the causes; the boatswain being guilty of drunkenness and neglect of duty, and the surgeon at open variance with the captain and mutinous, has discharged them, and will send further particulars.	9
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	—	Order on orders given of the Admiralty Committee, of 13, 17, and 18 July, that Capt. Geo. Deakins have his pay as occasional Rear-Admiral of the White; Capts. Wm. Goodson and Jos. Jordan, as occasional Vice-Admirals of the Blue and Red; and Capt. John Stoakes, as occasional Rear-Admiral of the Blue. With note from Stoakes that he had an order from the Generals for wearing a flag from 15 Dec. 1653 to 8 July 1654.	10–12
„ „	Adm. Com. - -	Navy Com^rs^	Order for 100 cwt. of tallow for the squadron, of which the George is Admiral - - -	13
„ „	„ -	„	Order for turning over the seamen in the Hope, Marie, and Wildman, to the George and Andrew, the ships to be laid up at Woolwich or Deptford.	14
„ „	Capt. Fras. Willoughby *Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	The Expedition and Sorlings have arrived for orders, having been repaired at Plymouth, and the Falmouth has returned to her station. Is doing his best to furnish the brewhouses with water to make the beer required.	15
„ „	Col. John Barkstead, *Tower.*	Navy Com^rs^	Asks an order to Mr. Dove, master of the Tredagh, to deliver up a ticket to Wm. Williamson, a soldier in his company, that he may receive his pay for 4 months' service in the 10th whelp.	16
„ „	John Faulkener and Rich. Poulter, *Ordnance officers.*	„	Want 1,000 ells of canvas for supply of the navy stores at Portsmouth - - - -	17
„ „	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	Particulars of the repair and launching of ships. Is hastening the stores to the ships in the Hope.	18
„ „	„ „	Navy Com^rs^	To the same effect. Wants 10 or 20 loads of standards, the victualling ships being very weak.	19
„ 20	„ „	„	As the Unicorn and Convertine will sail to Queenborough to-morrow by Gen. Blake's order, desires the victuallers may be sent with the provisions. Having received 100 tons of beer out of several ships, has sent a portion to Gravesend, to serve again; being offered 15*s.* a ton for the remainder, asks directions.	20
„ „	Capt. Geo. Crapnell, *Dover.*	„	Has brought the Merlin into Dover Pier to be refitted; she needs a forecastle for the safeguard of the ship and her men.	21
„ „	Capt. Ben. Sacheverell, *Pearl, Dover Pier.*	„	Will hasten the refitting of his frigate, but wants instructions, and a supply of stores mentioned, which Mr. White cannot furnish without an order.	22

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July 20	Thomas White, *Dover.*	Navy Com^rs	The Pearl and Marlin having come in, desires orders as to their repairs. They will want sails, which may be had with ropes and lines at 19½*d.* per yard, some flags at 9*d.* and cordage at 36*s.* per cwt. Sends account of stores which he cannot obtain.	23
" "	Capt. Robt. Mill, *the Falmouth, off Plymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Received their order at Falmouth, and will go to Portsmouth with all haste - - -	24
" "	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	Navy Com.	The Colchester is ready to sail, but wants anchors, and as those and the chain pumps long since promised have not arrived, and he is much pressed for money, will have to send her to Harwich with what she has.	25
" "	Navy Comrs. -	Robt. Smith.	Warrant to pay the daily allowance of 1*s.* to sick and wounded seamen under the care of Thos. Biggs, surgeon, at Deptford.	26
" "	Capt. Robt. Wilkinson, *Weymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Is guarding the fishermen, some of whom have gone home laden, and others have arrived from Yarmouth on their second voyage. As he will be out of victuals in a fortnight, will then sail for Yarmouth Roads. Several Holland men-of-war have passed for Brass Sound, Shotland.	27
" "	Rich. Hutchinson and E. Hopkins, Navy Comrs., *Deal.*	Adm. Com.	There are only here 8 ships that were to be paid off, and unless those in the river are hastened, shall be much delayed, and many men lost, as they have already commenced to run. The workmen at Chatham yard should be paid, as they are very pressing, and say they cannot get any further credit in the town.	28
" 21	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	"	The Unicorn and Convertine have sailed for Queenborough as ordered by General Blake; will send on their victuals. The Maidstone has come in; asks if she is to be sheathed.	29
" "	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs	Order for an account of all bills charged on the Navy Treasurer since 1 March last - -	30
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Sent to the Falmouth on the station to come into Portsmouth, but she had gone westward by order of the Admiralty Committee. The Warwick pinnace has brought in a French prize, with 50 tons of corn. The 8 prizes taken by the Portsmouth and Constant Warwick are at Dartmouth and Portsmouth. Capt. Bourne has again put to sea, having been twice forced back by contrary winds. P.S. The prize was going from St. Malo to Bayonne. The Court of Admiralty should order sale of bulky and perishable goods.	31
" "	" "	Col. Jno. Clerke.	To the same effect. Wonders the Portland wants sheathing, it having been done lately. More of that work is done at Plymouth than Portsmouth. Has sent to the Nonsuch about the Chester service, and expects her with the first wind. Several bankers have been taken and sent to Dartmouth and Portsmouth, and the Prize Commissioners have orders to unload their fish, but it would sell 10 per cent. better if it was sold from the ships than from cellars, beside the expense of landing it.	32
" "	Thos. Scott, *Deptford.*	Navy Com^rs	Received 40*l.* for payment of soldiers working on board the State's ships at 1*s.* 5*d.* a day, but as it is not sufficient, desires another bill for 40*l.* Will send the account for setting the masts of the Tredagh and Newbury, which may be considered dear, but the seamen's wages are great.	33

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July 21	Capt. Robt. Mill, *the Falmouth, Weymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Received their order at Pendennis, and will hasten to Portsmouth with the first wind - -	34
" "	Capt. Thos. Adames, *Chatham.*	"	Has come in by order of the Vice-Admiral to be refitted, and will use all expedition, but the greatest trouble will be to keep his men.	35
" "	Capt. John Sherwin, *Primrose, Whitebooth Road, Humber.*	"	The delay in fitting the Duchess arose from want of carpenters, and her defects could not be discovered until she was hauled on shore; Capt. Smith will lose no time in proceeding with her to Deptford; will sail himself the next tide with a convoy of provisions for the army.	36
" "	John Burton, steward, and the officers of the *Rosebush.*	Adm. Com.	Charge Capt. Valentine Tatnell with running from a Brest man-of-war, receiving money for acting as a convoy to other ships, taking wine and money from others by force, and going on shore and leaving his vessel in danger of being surprised by the enemy. Also with assaults, putting men on shore, receiving more pay than was due, and appropriating stores belonging to his shipmen, and to prizes taken. With notes of examinations thereon.	37, 38
" 22	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	[Robt. Blackborne.]	Desires that the gratuities ordered by the Admiralty Committee to 4 decayed gunners and a boatswain named may be paid to Maurice Jones.	39
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	The Falmouth having arrived, asks if she is to be sheathed. The Centurion and Capt. Gethings came in from the Downs, and sailed for the west. Is promised a supply of beer next week, and then hopes to perfect all other wants.	40
" "	John Bradford, storekeeper, Andrew Fingston, Wm. Tatnam, gunners, *Pendennis.*	—	Account of deficiencies in weight in 215 barrels of powder, part of 300 delivered into the stores by Rich. Blackwall of the Sarah of Plymouth, total 1,588 lbs.	41, 42
" "	Richard Robinson -	Adm. Com.	Petition for his arrears of pay for services in the White Raven, taken by the Dutch, when he was set on shore at Holy Island, with the loss of all he had. With reference thereon to the Navy Commissioners.	43
" "	Capt. Isaiah Blowfield, *Convert, Brighthelmstone Bay.*	"	Having been tallowed and refitted for 3 months, has returned to his station by order of the Generals. The Seahorse hoy, employed as a scout along the bay, has been to Portsmouth for a new mast, and to be revictualled.	44
" "	Capt. Thomas Wilkes, *Discovery, Chatham.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Asks a warrant appointing Walter Larder boatswain, in place of John Ketcherill resigned through illness. Is refitting the ship with all speed.	45
" "	Robert Humphreys, steward's mate, *Pelican.*	—	Note that the ship has been hauled on shore, washed, and tallowed, and victualled for 16 days -	46

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1564. July 22	Capt. Wm. Ledgant, *Little President, Severn.*	Gen. Wm. Penn.	Being forced into Milford by extremity of weather, has been offered some provisions by Mr. Browne the victualler; the country much desire a convoy for their ships by reason of the Bristol Fair, pirates being very busy abroad; asks whether he shall ply about there, or go to Plymouth to revictual.	47
" "	" "	Adm. Com.	To the same effect - - - - - - - - - -	48
" "	Lieut. Jno. Atwill, *Exeter.*	"	Being in company of the Constant Warwick, off the Lizard took 8 French sail with fish from Newfoundland, but after manning them, lost in a storm all but one, which he brought into Weymouth, and delivered to Capt. Jno. Arthur and Hen. Waltham, sub-commissioners for reprisals. Will now hasten with his men to their ship at Plymouth.	49
" "	" "	Gens. Desborough, Blake, and Penn, *Whitehall.*	To the same effect. Signature torn off - - - - - - - -	50
" "	Chr. Grosse, *Lizard point.*	Capt. Wm. Mildrum.	Sends in a small vessel laden with salt and empty casks, the first he has taken; 2 others got away. The beer is bad, the casks not being full. Dent is master under Capt. Adames.	51
" "	Capt. Robt. Mill, *Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	Has come in according to order received at Falmouth, and is taking out his guns - - -	52
" "	Anth. Wells, *Hull* -	Navy Com^rs	Cleaned and dispatched the Duchess for London, as she proves unserviceable, and the Primrose for Scotland. Will send up his accounts, but has already drawn bills to the amount of 1,811*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.*, and wants another 100*l.* which he cannot obtain.	53
" "	" "	"	Sends a bill for 100*l.* due to Rich. Allen, grocer, for fitting out the said frigates - - -	54
" "	Wm. Woodward, vintner, *London.*	Geo. Reeve, *Maidstone, Kent.*	Bond in 200*l.* for discharge of the duties of John Huddleston of the Paragon, gunner - -	55
" "	Capt. Thos. Pointer, *Sovereign, Downs.*	Navy Com^rs	Orders having come to send in the Sovereign and James, would have sailed had the pilot come; will sail on Monday. Hopes contentment in any condition, but begs now to be thought upon, as the ant provides in summer for the winter.	56
" 23	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	"	Condition, arrival, and departure of ships. Has sent away two pilots for the Sovereign and James.	57
" "	" "	Adm. Com.	To the same effect - - - - - - - - - -	58
" "	Capt. Jno. Taylor, *Chatham.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Begs his assistance in reserving one of the medals for his son Joseph Taylor, who served as commander in the Unity, Adventure, and Exchange, in 3 great fights with the Dutch in June and July, and was removed by General Monck into the Mayflower. Having gone to Russia in his own ship, he could not apply for it himself.	59

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1654. July 23	Capt. Gabr. Sanders, *Tiger, Brighthelmstone.*	Adm. Com.	Sent account of proceedings on his station, and the confession of Jno. Baldock. Has since searched Dutch and other ships from France and elsewhere, but found nothing of importance. Encloses account by J. Senior, his clerk of the check, of the condition and wants of the ship, and desires order therein, as also whether he shall send to Portsmouth for his proportion of beer.	Vol. 85. 60, 60*a*
„ 24	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com[rs]	Order for the Hope to be graved and fitted for service - - - - - - -	61
„ „	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	„	Has supplied the Colchester with anchors, and will send one by her for the Bason frigate at Harwich; they need only send the chain pumps. Is glad all the frigates have got out of the haven without damage.	62
„ „	Thos. White, *Dover*	„	Account of stores required for the Pearl and Merlin frigates - - - - - -	63
„ „	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	„	Sends amended accounts for stores delivered. Business is much hindered through the defect in the beer; desires they will remind the victuallers to put 10 iron hoops on each butt instead of 6; more bread is required; wants two dozen compasses. The new frigate is nearly ready to launch; wants her masts and anchors sent down. Mr. Leverland has received 1,400 tons of the Swedish iron, which will cost the State 19*l.* a ton besides duty. Asks what they pay Mr. Ingram for nails.	64
„ „	Capt. Joseph Cubitt, *the Portsmouth, Plymouth Sound.*	Adm. Com.	In the late scuffle with the fish bankers, was forced to make use of his prisoners to man his ship, being only allowed 130 men, including sick and wounded; this has not only made him but the enemy sensible of our weakness, and as he desires to avoid shame to himself and dishonour to his country, suggests that it would be better to send out fewer ships, but well manned. Proposals thereon. Asks directions as to answering salutes from the Dutch. Having neglected his private affairs, begs to retire, as peace is now concluded with the potentest enemy at sea.	65
„ „	E. Hopkins and Rich. Hutchinson, Navy Comrs., *Dover.*	Navy Com[rs] *Tower Hill.*	Have paid most of the ships that were in the Downs, and expect on their return thither to meet the remainder of the squadron. Major Bourne will now be with them and inform them of the wants of the ships. Hope a seasonable supply, as well as hearths for the Ruby and Diamond. Directed Mr. White to supply and dispatch the Pearl and Merlin, but the surgeons and clerks of the check will want what he cannot furnish. Desire he may be ordered to pay them some money. Particulars of the gunners' wants for Mr. Payler.	66
„ 25	Rich. Hutchinson and E. Hopkins, *Deal.*	Adm. Com.	Have paid off 9 ships at Deal, and as the Sovereign and James are gone up the river, desire order for their payment at Chatham, and for paying the workmen there. Will leave their clerks to pay off the others as they come in.	67
„ „	Capt. Roger Alsop -	Major-Gen. Desborough.	Recommends John Weale, purser, for employment under General Blake - - - -	68

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1654. July 25	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Departure of ships to their stations. The prizes are gone to Dartmouth. Recommends a reduction of the guns and men in the Old Warwick now being cleaned; some of the men might be added to the Constant Warwick.	Vol. 85. 69
" "	Rich. Dermott, *Tranmere, Liverpool Water.*	Navy Com^rs	Mustered the men on board the Satisfaction, and sends a list, but the captain and other officers being on shore, could not obtain any sea books. The ship is insufficiently manned, and the duties irregularly performed; some severe course should be taken to prevent men deserting, &c. Asks payment of money advanced to the Paradox and others, but will not advance any more.	70, 71
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	" "	Wants the masts from Portsmouth, having had to purchase some at Dartmouth at a high rate. Several ships have been refitted, supplied with stores, and gone to their stations; sends an account. Will settle the stores and pay off some debts before leaving, and charge the money upon the Navy Commissioners.	72
" "	Edmond Edgar, shipwright, *Yarmouth.*	Adm. Com.	Petition for an order to the Navy Commissioners to pay him an overplus for building two frigates. Signed an agreement to build two 104 and 105 feet long and 33 feet wide, and after framing and raising them, the Navy Commissioners sent a contract altering them to 100 feet long and 31 wide, and because they exceed the contract, decline to allow him any more without order. With reference to the Navy Commissioners, and their report that the petition is true, and that there was a combination between the shipwrights, as they would not contract until Edgar led the way, and he therefore saved the State's money. The contracts for building the Kentish and Sussex were signed by him after the dimensions were agreed upon.	73, 74
" "	———	—	List of 8 ships fitting out at Deptford and 6 at Woolwich, with account of provisions on board, and what is further required.	75
" 26	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs	Order to send back to the Downs such provisions lately received from the fleet as are good -	76
" "	" -	"	Order not to enter more officers on the victualling ships appointed for the squadron setting forth than mentioned in a list given.	77
" "	" -	"	Order to impress 150 watermen to serve in getting the victualling ships into the Hope - -	78
" "	Miles Dixon -	"	Begs to resign his appointment as steward of the Tulip, as the remuneration is not sufficient -	79
" "	Capt. Joseph Ames, *Winsby, Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	The Newcastle and 3 others have sailed from Hoseley Bay, and as soon as his two anchors have arrived from Ipswich, will repair to the fleet in the Downs. Wants 80 men.	80
" "	Capt. Robt. Mill, *Portsmouth.*	"	Begs the command of the ship lately belonging to Capt. Beach; has served 14 years, been wounded in the engagements with the Dutch, and being married, is not fit to continue in the Falmouth, now that she has been made a fireship.	81
" "	Major N. Bourne, *Navy Office.*	Jno. Davies, store-keeper, *Deptford.*	Request to supply the Arms of Holland with stores for rigging, &c., she being ordered for service. With note by Davies 28 July to Thos. Smith, Navy Comr., that he is unable to comply for want of the stores required.	82

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1654. July 27	Thos. White, *Dover*	Navy Com^rs	The Bryer, Pearl, and Merlin having been cleaned and fitted, asks what provisions are to be put on board.	Vol. 85. 83
" "	Wm. Ligon -	Ed. Winslow.	Asks that Lewis Pelsent, aged 17, pressed out of a coal ship and put on board the Taunton, may be set at liberty, as he is the chief support of his mother.	84
" "	Edm. Winslow, *Goldsmiths' Hall.*	Navy Com^rs	To the same effect - - - - - - - - - - - -	85
" "	Capt. Giles Shelley, the *Colchester, Yarmouth Roads.*	"	Is lying there to press men, and will go to Harwich to victual. Hears the Morning Star, which he took when commanding the Waterhound, has been condemned and offered for sale. She had 36,000*l.* in money, besides Spanish wools and other goods, yet she would have got clear off but for his evidence before the Admiralty Court, and yet he was none the better for her. Desires leave to attend them to receive his medal; has fought in all the engagements, and has resolved to make one in the present design.	86
" "	Major N. Bourne, *Deptford.*	"	Has received several orders from the Admiralty Committee, one being for impressing 150 watermen to carry down the victualling ships to both squadrons, as seamen are not to be had; desires they will put it in execution. Will go on board himself to see to their dispatch.	87
" "	Adm. Com. -	"	Order for victualling the satisfaction at Chester for 6 or 8 months, and the Hare ketch, having 35 men, for two months.	88
" 28	Edm. Edgar -	Adm. Com.	Petition for consideration for overbuilding the Yarmouth and Winsby frigates by 97 and 96 tons, which at 5*l.* 15*s.* a ton is 1,109*l.* 15*s.*, the loss of which will be his ruin.	89
" "	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs	Order to ascertain from Mr. Chaffy, surveyor, what exceptions were made by Mr. Edgar to the contract for building the Yarmouth and Winsby frigates. With report, 4 Aug., that Edgar scrupled about signing the contract, but the frigates were not far advanced, and advising 327*l.* 15*s.* damages.	90, 91
" "	" " -	"	Order to enter Jno. Abell as chaplain of the Newbury frigate for the ensuing expedition, he being recommended by Capts. Browne and Newbery for his godliness and abilities.	92
" "	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	Arrival and departure of ships named. 140 tuns of defective beer have been taken out of the Unicorn and other ships; desires order for a fresh supply.	93
" "	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs and Ordnance Officers.	Order to supply the Maidstone frigate with provisions and stores for 150 men, and with 36 guns, she being appointed for the present expedition.	94
" "	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends account of bills at Chatham charged on the Navy Treasurer since 1 Mar. 1654. Arrival and departure of ships. General Blake has arrived at the Hill House, but returns to-morrow; the Treasurer and Mr. Hopkins passed by this afternoon. Encloses certificate of the defective beer in the Unicorn; is much troubled to know how to dispose of it and other provisions in the same state.	95

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1654. July 28	John Morris, *Gravesend.*	Navy Com[rs]	Sent the warrant for Thos. Hughes of the Foresight to the Lee Road. Only knows one vessel called the Mary, which is a victualler, and has 50 tuns of beer; if the casks are not rehooped, much will be spoilt; has written Comr. Pett respecting it. The beef taken in at Deptford by the Wildman is unserviceable, not having taken the salt.	Vol. 85. 96
„ 29	Geo: Turner and Cleopas Smith.	„	Petition for their arrears of pay as midshipmen in the Mayflower from Feb. 1652 to June 1654, during which time they only received 6 months' pay, and were put on shore sick of fever at the Pill, Bristol, and without means of subsistence. Have applied in vain to the Navy Commissioners. With certificate of John Powell and Robt. Hardie on their behalf.	97–99
„ „	Major Nehemiah Bourne, *Deptford.*	Adm. Com.	Visited the ships appointed to take in the victuals and stores for both fleets, and will dispatch them as fast as he can.	100
„ „	Capt. Ben. Sacheverell, *London.*	Navy Com[rs]	Desires they will sign his cook's ticket for wages, that he may leave something for his wife and family during his absence the next voyage.	101
	Adm. Com. -	„	Order to make out a bill to John Powell and Hen. Webley for 13*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.* and 1*l.* 1*s.*, disbursed by them as messengers to the Committee.	102
„ „	„ „ -	„	Order to augment the complement of the Old Warwick to 80 men and 20 guns - - -	103
„ „	„ „ -	„	Order for the Navy Treasurer to pay the arrears of wages due to Jno. Abell, formerly chaplain of the Victory, now of the Newbury.	104
„ „	Thos. White, *Dover*	„	Delivered their enclosure to the gunners of the Merlin and Pearl. The Merlin will have her work done on Saturday, and may be victualled and ready to sail on Tuesday; the Pearl will be out this tide. Is sorry the rope and sail makers are so much dearer than those in London; will get nothing by their bargains himself.	105
„ „	Wm. Lucas -	„	Although he has served as master of the Heartsease since 1652, has never been paid off, and only received a little money as imprest; being again ordered out as a victualler, desires payment of a ticket enclosed, to enable him to provide necessaries.	106
„ „	Wm. Cullen, *Dover*	Lieut.-Col. Thos. Kelsey, *Somerset House.*	Desires he will move the Admiralty Committee that Mr. Day, surgeon, may be retained in his employment; he served all the late wars and attended the sick and wounded, who can say much for him. The Committee at Little Britain have lately sent down 2 persons to survey the affairs of the sick, which will be of little public profit, and there is a design to oust Mr. Day and put in Widow Miles' servant, a young man of little experience, and to appoint a physician who may choose his own surgeon.	107
„ „	Lieut. Griffin Saite, *Weymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Left Portsmouth for Weymouth the 25th, and having now received Col. Jno. Bingham on board, is sailing for Guernsey, where he will attend further orders.	108
„ 30	John Morris, *Gravesend.*	Navy Com[rs]	Contents of his letter of the 28th. The Mary flyboat sailed 29 March for Scotland with General Monk's goods. The Selby has been waiting for employment since 15 June. No steward has yet been appointed to the Falcon, nor anyone to take charge of the provisions, so the men spend in one day what should serve for two, and if speedy course is not taken, few men will be left in her. The Katherine has arrived from Deptford, and taken in 6 months' provisions, but if she remains much longer, it will make a great reduction in her sea stores.	109

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1654.				Vol. 85.
July 31.	General Robt. Blake	Navy Com[rs]	Hen. Leader having been appointed chaplain to his Vice-Admiral, Capt. Badiley, desires 15*l.* imprest to enable him to fit himself for the voyage.	110
" "	Thos. Pott, master, and Thos. Jones. mate of the *John and Thomas*, and Wm. Wilkinson, captain of the *Exchange.*	—	Depositions, that being bound to Virginia with other ships, the Ruby ran into the Report on 17 Jan. 1654, and sunk her, which might have been avoided if she had kept on her course.	111
" "	Capt. Mic. Nutton, *Satisfaction, Liverpool.*	Navy Com[rs]	Will haul his ship on shore to grave and clean next week, when the victuals will be ready ; they have begun to brew the beer. Wants a boatswain and steward ; his clerk of the check would undertake the duties of both.	112
" "	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com[rs] and Treasurer.	Order to pay off the Duchess at Deptford, and survey her defects and wants - - -	113
" "	" " -	Navy Com[rs]	Order to make out a bill to Richard Nutt for 4*l.* 10*s.* - - - - - - -	114
" "	John Beale -	Adm. Com.	Petition for the cook's place in the Phœnix, having been in the service 10 years. With certificate by Capt. Jno. Umpherty of his 16 months' service in the Friendship.	115, 116
" "	Capt. Giles Shelley, *the Colchester, Harwich.*	"	Has come in to victual ; wants to come up to the Hope to impress men from the colliers and other ships going up and down.	117
" "	John Giffing, boatswain of the *Rosebush, Deptford.*	"	Thanks for his appointment, but desires to be cleared of the Swan's stores - - -	118
July	Wm. Haughfen -	—	Account of arms seized by Capt. Philip Gethings of the Preston, in a French flyboat, bound to St. Christopher, a French plantation, and supposed to have come from Holland.	119
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Aug. 1	Capt. Hen Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	Navy Com[rs]	Hopes his bill for 1,500*l.*, charged on the Navy Treasurer, will be met. All the frigates ordained for the western guard are gone to their stations. The Warwick brought in a French prize with fish, and returned to sea, but not before her men had plundered a little too much, which cannot be prevented so long as the great liberty exists of their having all between decks.	1
" "	Capt. Mic. Nutton, *Satisfaction, Liverpool Water.*	Adm. Com.	Is hauling on shore to grave and clean, and as the victualler has orders to furnish provisions, begs to victual for 6 or 8 months ; asks whether he is to carry 100 or 140 men, including the lieutenant, William Pickering, and the midshipmen.	2

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1654.				Vol. 86.
Aug. 1	Capt. Abra. Allgatt, *Drake, Barnstaple Bay.*	Adm. Com.	Since the cleaning of his ship, has been plying between Padstow and the Crowe, but did not meet any of the enemy. Asks whether to grant tickets to 30 men who served in the Fortune on the Irish coast for 18 months, and were transferred to the Essex, and then to his ship, as they are in great need of their arrears. Wants a mainsail. Has received a month's provisions, and will put to sea again to look after the enemy.	3
" "	Capt. Jno. Stoakes, *George.*	"	Recommends Wm. Creech as his clerk of the check; he was recommended by Generals Blake and Monk, and served in most of the engagements with the army on land.	4
" "	Jno. Browne, *Harwich.*	Rob. Blackborne	Sent his packet to the Winsby frigate, which has since sailed for the Downs. There is neglect in forwarding packets, because they are directed to no one to take care for the sending. Desires they may be assigned direct to him for the future to forward.	5
" "	Jno. Morris, *Gravesend.*	Navy Com^rs	The steward of the Mary flyboat has come down with 5 coopers, but they are slenderly furnished with tools and hoops, and hoops are hardly to be bought at Gravesend. Asks orders as to the Wildman, so as to save charge. Has not heard anything of Thos. Hughes, and the clerk of the check and steward of the Rosebush give little attendance. The clerk of the Paragon has been absent ever since the ship came in.	6
" "	Adm. Com. - -	"	Order to make out a bill for the wages, at 10*l.* a month, of Wm. Hempson, employed in disposing of the victuals sent to the fleet.	7
" "	Sir Ant. Ashley Cooper.	"	Begs that John Payne, connected with some friends of his, may not be pressed for sea, his health being such that it would be certain death to him.	8
" 2	Capt. H. Maddison, *Mary prize.*	Adm. Com.	Has been cruising on the coast 4 months, but did not meet with anyone interfering with the free passage of the colliers, although he heard that Capt. Carey, a privateer, was about. Is going to Tynemouth for water, and desires orders as to victualling, having only sufficient for 6 weeks; his ship is very foul.	9
" "	Robt. Blackborne, *Whitehall.*	Navy Com^rs	To give order for recruiting the medicine chest for General Blake's squadron, and to allow Mathew Lynde, appointed by the General, to inspect it.	10
" "	Vice-Adm. Jno. Lawson, *Fairfax, Downs.*	Robt. Blackborne.	To ask the Admiralty Committee to give Capt. Jas. Ableson of the Mermaid the command of a fourth-rate frigate, or of the Gainsborough, if Capt. Taylor is removed.	11
" "	" "	Adm. Com.	Will deliver their orders to the commander of the Brier on his return from Calais, where he has gone as a convoy, and will provide him a master. Will also proceed against the master of the Gainsborough for drunkenness. Cannot recommend Mr. Ridley for the command of a fourth-rate ship, but Capt. Ableson of the Mermaid is fit for one, and Ridley would do for a small convoy vessel. Ableson took 5 privateers last winter on the north coast, and was commander of the Victory merchant in the last two engagements against the Dutch. The gunner of the Winsby is to remain prisoner by order of court-martial until his fine is paid. Arrival of ships from Harwich, one of which wants 80 men. Asks whether the Advice is to go to Chatham or Harwich to refit and victual.	12

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1654.				
Aug. 2	Capt. Jas. Abelson, *Mermaid, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	Condition of his ship and the stores. Has 92 men, 25 serviceable guns, and 26 barrels of powder, but it is much decayed by long keeping.	Vol. 86. 13
,, ,,	John Morris, *Gravesend.*	Navy Com^rs	The coopers not having brought any hoops, and there being none to be had, they have returned. As Thos. Hughes has not arrived, they must not depend upon his survey. The Paragon has a hoy attending her to impress men; the captain has ordered them to be entered into wages and victuals the day they are pressed, although they may be kept on the hoy for days; asks if this is to be allowed, and what is to be given to those who press them. The Golden Falcon wants a steward.	14
,, ,,	Adm. Com. - -	,,	Order that such provisions as cannot be carried in the victualling ships for the squadron of which the George is admiral be put on board the Hope victualler.	15
,, ,,	,, - -	,,	Order for the victuallers to supply the said squadron with 6 months' provisions at Plymouth -	16
,, ,,	,, - -	Thos. May	Order to attend the Navy Commissioners for instructions as to rigging the Nantwich, building at Bristol.	17
,, ,,	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs	Hopes the things demanded will be promptly supplied. Sends account of bills, and desires they may be checked by the books; also a list of stores required. Received orders from the Admiralty Committee to dispose of the iron for the advantage of the State. Will launch the new frigate in a fortnight; considering this, the sale of stores, and the payment of the fleet, craves the attendance of some of their number.	18
,, ,,	Capt. Thos. Fleet, *Falcon, Chatham.*	,,	Desires the removal of his steward, who has threatened to pick a hole in his coat because he will not sign bills for clothes, value 38*l.*, falsely alleged to have been sold since Capt. Lightfoot signed the last.	19
,, ,,	Capt. Wm. Hill, *the Worcester.*	Adm.Com.	Sends the carpenter, boatswain, and master gunner's account of provisions and stores under their charge.	20, 20*a*
,, 3	Capt. Robt. Wilkinson, *the Weymouth, Yarmouth Roads.*	,,	Convoyed in several of the fishing boats, and left a few behind. Heard there were some pirates on the coast, but did not see any. Is ordered by Major Burton to proceed to Harwich for victuals, having only sufficient for 4 days.	21
,, ,,	,, ,,	Navy Com^rs	To the same effect - - - - - - - - - - -	22
,, ,,	E. Hayward - -	—.	Certificate that the accounts of Thos. Pointer, clerk of the check in the Sovereign, and the boatswain and carpenter, are correctly made up.	23
,, ,,	Adm. Com. - -	Navy Com^rs	Order that the list annexed of 148 ships, frigates, &c., belonging to the navy in their several ranks, be the establishment for the future whereby they are to be paid.	24, 24*a*
,, ,,	,, - -	,,	Order that the master shipwrights of Chatham, Woolwich, Deptford, and Portsmouth prepare a draft or model of a second-rate ship to carry 60 guns.	25
,, ,,	,, - -	,,	Order for a sufficient quantity of timber to be provided for building 3 second-rate ships at Deptford, Woolwich, and Chatham.	26

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1654. Aug. 3	Adm. Com. - -	Navy Com[rs]	Order for 60 men and 12 guns to be borne upon the Merlin galley; Mr. Payler and the ordnance officers to supply the guns and stores.	Vol. 86. 27
" "	John Digbey, clerk of the Prize Goods' Commissioners.	Robt. Blackborne.	Sends information of Lieut. Jno. Willgress of the Hound, that Capt. Jonathan Hide took 21 chests and an iron-bound case out of the Esperance prize of Dieppe, and put them on board the Gilly-flower by the General's order; does not know their contents.	28, 28*a*
" "	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	Adm. Com.	The Weymouth having come in from the fishing grounds at the North Seas, and having only 4 days' provisions, has sent her to Harwich to recruit. As the herring fishery will begin in 14 days, desires she may be appointed their convoy. Granted.	29
" "	Capt. Giles Shelley, *the Colchester, Harwich.*	Navy Com[rs]	Complains of the drunkenness and absence on shore of Hen. Rodes, *alias* Coleman; also of his embezzling the canvas; account of Major Bourne's proceedings to recover it.	30
" "	Capt. Joseph Cubitt, *the Portsmouth, Plymouth Sound.*	Adm. Com.	Being at sea with the Saphire, met a Hollander who had taken a Hamburgher; both have been towed into Plymouth. The Saphire has returned to sea; will follow to-night. The Constant Warwick spoke with some Hollanders and Hamburghers from St. Lucar, who met the Essex and her squadron with her flag out, and reported two French ships of 40 guns as lying about the South Cape, which had taken some Hollanders, and were at Rochelle with their prizes.	31
" 4	Capt. H. Maddison, *Mary prize, Tynemouth Bar.*	"	Will observe their orders. Did not meet with any of the enemy while plying upon the coast, but a pirate of 6 guns has taken one or two fishermen.	32
" "	" "	Navy Com[rs]	To similar effect. Asks for a supply of provisions; has been out 5 months, and has only 6 weeks' on board.	33
" "	Chris. Pett, *Woolwich.*	"	The Hector having sprung a leak, will be forced to take out her provisions and bring her on shore. The Success might take a portion of them to complete her sea stores.	34
" "	Vice-Adm. Jno. Lawson, *Fairfax, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	Arrival and departure of ships. The stewards greatly complain of not being able to procure fish for the men, or any money in lieu thereof; as there are several ships out of victuals, asks a supply from London or the Hope.	35
" 5	Capt. John Bourne, *the Essex.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Has been plying towards Newfoundland. Met 6 sail of Frenchmen, and took 3, which he has sent home, but the others escaped. Desires his prayers, that he may answer the employment to which he is called forth, and be some way useful to his generation.	36
" "	Lieut. Griffin Saite, *Expedition, Plymouth Sound.*	Adm. Com.	Received the Honble. Col. Jno. Bingham, set him on shore at Guernsey, and then sailed to Plymouth, where he has received order from Comr. Hatsell to proceed to his former station.	37
" "	Ordnance officers -	"	Have treated with Lord Whitelock for the copper brought by him from Sweden at 5*l.* per cwt., and desire order for casting it into ordnance; will then deliver the metal to the gunfounders.	38

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	References.
1654. Aug. 5	Rich. Hutchinson and E. Hopkins, Navy Comrs., *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	Have paid the ordinary and extraordinary of Chatham and the James, and will endeavour to pay the Sovereign before going to the Downs. The Unicorn and Maidstone are still in the river; fear they will have to wait in the Downs, as but 4 ships have yet come there. Examined the officers of the Heartsease upon the complaint against Mathewes, the steward, and gave order for his discharge.	Vol. 86. 39
" "	" "	Navy Com^rs^ *London.*	To similar effect - - - - - - - - - -	40
" "	John Mathewes, steward of the *Heartsease, Chatham.*	Cols. Rouse or Kelsey, Adm. Comrs.	Complains of the clerk of the check of the Heartsease for misapplying the stores, and for being the cause of the desertion of Geo. Aldridge, the late steward; the clerk is informing against him; begs to be heard before they dismiss him, and grant a warrant to another to fill his place.	41
" 6	Adm. Com. - -	Navy Com^rs^	Order to examine the accounts of Peter Walker, master of the Fisher hoy, for provisions delivered to him, and make out a bill for his pay.	42
" "	" - -	"	Order to make out a bill for 80*l.* to Major Nehemiah Bourne, for the expenses of his journeys from Harwich to Yarmouth, Southwold, Aldborough, Woodbridge, and Ipswich, and for keeping a table at Harwich while part of the fleet was there.	43
" "	" - -	"	Order to make out a bill for 16*l.* to Anne, widow of Fras. Harvey, late secretary and then judge advocate to Gen. Blake.	44
" 7	Jas. Bailey, *St. Ives*	Major-Gen. Desborough	Thanks for kindness towards his grandchild. Finds the place very pretty and convenient, and the charge not great, and has sent his daughter and her son to complete the business.	45
" "	Navy Comrs., *Navy Office.*	Adm.Com.	Recommend Mr. Harding, gunner of the Swan, for the Winsby, whose gunner has been dismissed by Major Bourne for knavery.	46
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	"	It will be an advantage to build the second-rate ship at Portsmouth, where they have the necessary plank and timber, which will otherwise perish; having a ship on the stocks will keep the workmen together. Is proceeding with the victualling of the ships, and will launch the Lyme about the 17th. The Plymouth beer in the Portland begins to stink.	47
" "	" "	Navy Com^rs^	Sends the denial of the carpenter of the Swiftsure of having received certain things out of the stores, so cannot proceed without further proof. Sent the warrant to Mr. Tippetts, and supposes he will comply, but he has a new frigate to launch next week. The victuallers want a warrant to victual the Falmouth.	48
" "	" "	Col. Jno. Clerke.	As Mr. Hopkins is likely to be removed to another employment, and he will be thereby deprived of his society, begs to be removed from thence, and as the business about the ships is nearly over, the victualling excepted, asks leave to come to London for 4 or 5 days, before the fleet joins and departs.	49

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1654. Aug. 7	Capt. Thos. Adames, *the Maidstone, Hope.*	Adm. Com.	While at Chatham, set a new mast, caulked and tallowed, and took in stores, and when victualled will sail to the Downs. Most of his men, being colliers, have run, notwithstanding they leave 4 months' pay now due.	Vol. 86. 50
" "	Capt. Robt. Nixon, *Centurion, Dartmouth.*	"	Has been plying with Capt. Gethings between Dartmouth and Portland, by order of the Vice-Admiral, and examined several vessels from France for suspected persons, but without effect, as being affrighted by the late justice passed on some of them, they do not now seek for a passage to England. Having been out 5 months, and having only 10 days' provisions, will ply about Portland till further orders.	51
" "	Capt. Thos. Vallis, *the Taunton, Plymouth Sound.*	"	Convoyed the Victualler with the State's masts from Portsmouth to Plymouth, by order of General Penn, and is now endeavouring to get men; there being only 102 left when Capt Lyons left the ship, is 48 short; hopes to obtain them by the time General Blake arrives.	52
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Exeter.*	Col. Jno. Clerke, *Adm. Chamber, Whitehall.*	The Martin gally having gone to Plymouth to be revictualled, begs that if she is to be one of General Penn's squadron, she may be ordered to Portsmouth to be fitted out.	53
" "	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	The Sovereign having come to her moorings at Gillingham, will pay her off to-morrow. The Cock repairing in the dry dock will soon be launched, and others are almost ready to sail.	54
" 8	" "	Navy Com^{rs}	Asks a supply of beer for the Unicorn, in lieu of 52½ tuns, taken out as unfit for use, she being otherwise ready to sail.	55
" "	Adm. Com. - -	"	Order to take off the stop put upon the moneys payable out of the Navy Treasury upon account of the Thomas and William, to state the credit of the ship, and certify to the Navy Treasurer what it amounts to.	56
" "	Vice-Adm. Jno. Lawson, *Fairfax, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	The Great President has come in with a French ship from Guinea for Dieppe, with hides, bees' wax, and elephants' teeth. Sends a pass, granted by the Council of State to her master, to go to Guinea and back, and asks whether he shall send her to London or otherwise dispose of her. Has ordered Vice-Admiral Howett and the captain of the President to seal up her hatches.	57
" "	Capt. Thos. Elliot, *the Fagons.*	Adm. Com.	Will be ready to sail for Hoseley Bay in a few days, but wants a master, some men, and a chain pump.	58
" "	Capt. Robt. Wilkinson, *Weymouth pink, Harwich.*	"	Has come in by order of Major Burton to revictual, and desires further orders - - -	59
" "	Capt. Jno. Seaman, *Portsmouth.*	"	Meeting a French man-of-war with a Lyme bark from Morlaix, rescued the latter, and chased the former until dark, but could not do any good, being very foul; has come in to revictual. Hears there are 3 more men-of-war about, which came from Rusco in France.	60

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1654.				Vol. 86.
Aug. 8	John Morris, *Gravesend.*	Navy Com^rs	Surveyed the provisions on board the Wildman and Mary prize, and finds the beef defective, but the remainder will serve until the ships are got up. Will provide Capt. Curle with 100 deals, if ordered; will send some muster books to the Downs, but the clerks of the check have received one for each ship already gone out.	61
„ 9	Customs' Comrs. -	Robt. Blackborne.	Desire the release of Wm. Bishop, a waterman, pressed while attending their surveyor at Barking, also of Thos. George, hired by their surveyor for service.	62
„ „	Christ. Pett, *Woolwich.*	Navy Com^rs	Suggests the erection, by Mr. Brewer, of two wing wharfs, 30 ft. by 12, at a cost of 100*l.*; it will prevent a much greater charge, and preserve the sides of the banks.	63
„ „	Adm. Com. -	„	Order to provide an additional demand enclosed for stores for the squadron whereof the Swiftsure is Admiral.	64, 64*a*
„ „	„ -	„	Order to report what proportion of medicaments are usually provided for a surgeon's chest for 8 months.	65
„ „	Capt. Isaiah Blowfield, *Convert, Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	While plying off Cape Barfleur, by order of Vice-Admiral Lawson, captured 2 of 10 French vessels laden with butter, has brought them into Portsmouth, and is going again to his station; chased all of them on shore, but it being dark, and the country coming down so thick, was forced to make sail, or he would have taken the whole.	66
„ „	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	„	Asks instructions about victualling the Sorlings, and 3 others - - - - -	67
„ 10	Capt. Valentine Tatnell, jun., *London.*	Adm. Com.	Desires they will give his wife an order to receive the pay due to him for services on the Rosebush.	68
„ „	J. Fowler, *Triumph, Downs.*	[Robt. Blackborne.]	Sends examinations relative to an offence of the same nature as that of the coxswain of the Pelican prize; begs that proceedings against the parties may not be delayed as formerly, but that the matter may be handed over to some justice of the peace, and if the facts work on a jury as they do upon him, it will enforce a condemnation.	69
„ „	Capt. Thos. Penrose, *Nonsuch, Chester Water.*	Adm. Com.	Came in by order of Capt. Hen. Hatsell, having received the money from the Deputy Treasurer, and will not neglect opportunity for its safe transportation.	70
„ „	Major N. Bourne, *Navy office.*	„	Visited the ships in the river belonging to the George's squadron, and those at Tilbury Hope, and arranged for their speedy dispatch. The fitting of the Hope at Deptford is stopped for want of a proper order; desires a warrant to the Navy office concerning her.	71
„ „	Navy Comrs. - -	Gen. Penn.	Send a letter from Capt. Maddison, and desire they will give him necessary instructions - -	72

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1654. Aug. 10	Sarah Jolles -	Lord Protector.	Petition for 10*l.* Her husband, Thos. Jolles, was gunner in the Crescent, and slain in the fight with the Irish rebels in Oct. 1651, leaving her with 6 infant children. Had 10*l.* allowed her by the Admiralty Committee, 26 Nov. following, and upon petitioning His Highness, was referred to the Commissioners for sick and wounded, who certified the Admiralty Committee that she was deserving of an additional 10*l.* With report 29 June of the Commissioners for sick and wounded thereon, and reference to the Admiralty Committee.	Vol. 86. 73, 74
„ „	Capt. Alex. Farly, and Wm. Whitehorn, *Basing Frigate, Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	Recommend Rich. Long, of the Pelican, for an appointment as a master - - - -	75
„ 11	Thos. Pointer -	Navy Com^rs^	Asks for the place of Muster Master to the Fleet; such an officer will produce more convenience and benefit to the service than can be expressed. Is sorry he left a certainty for an uncertainty, but General Blake would have him in the George, although he did not know how to dispose of the other then there.	76
„ „	Adm. Com. -	Capt. Morgan.	Order to discharge Nich. Venner, pressed into the Dolphin, he being the only surviving son of his father, who has had two slain in the service.	77
„ „	Robt. Rawlings, *Barber Surgeons' Hall, London.*	Thos. Smith, Navy Comr.	Will lay his letter before the master and wardens, and make a return to-morrow - - -	78
„ „	Capt. Robert Mill, *the Falmouth, Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	Asks an order to the victualler for provisions, as the ship will soon be ready to sail - -	79
„ „	Capt. Philip Gethings, *the Preston, Portland Road.*	„	Has been plying between Portland and the Start, with Capt. Robt. Nixon of the Centurion, but found nothing worth presenting; having only 8 days' provisions, will sail for Spithead, to revictual and tallow.	80
„ „	Capt. Jno. Bourne, *the Essex, off Scilly.*	„	Since his last, has had contrary winds and bad weather, and gained but little to the westward. Sends this by an English vessel, bound homeward from the Barbadoes.	81
„ 12	William Reading, late steward of the *Waterhound.*	„	Petition for arrears of prize money for himself and servant. Was in the last 3 engagements with the Dutch. With order to the Commissioners for sick and wounded to pay him his share, if he has passed his accounts.	82
„ „	Capt. Robt. Mill, *the Falmouth, Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Discharged Rich. Pyle, sick; if his name is not in the sea book it is a mistake, as he served in the Falmouth from 16 Dec. 1653 to 28 July 1654, and has had his ticket.	83
„ „	Capt. Rich. Badiley, *Andrew, Downs.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Asks him to present a ticket enclosed to the Admiralty Committee, and obtain an order on the Navy Treasurer for payment of his salary for 122 days' service on board the Vanguard, and deliver it to Capt. Jonathan Taylor; leaving London so suddenly, had no time to do so.	84

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Aug. 12	Capt. Edw. Blagg, *the Marston Moor.*	Col. Clerke, Adm.Comr.	As he came from Plymouth so suddenly, had no time to settle his business, so must return there before he leaves England. Has written General Penn thereon, and been advised by Rear-Admiral Dakins, and Capt. Poole; has taken passage in the Welcome bound there; asks how long he may stay. His lieutenant will attend to the ship's business during his absence.	85
„ „	Christ. Payne, *the Weymouth, Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	As the captain has orders to refit, sends a list of stores required, and desires an order to the gunner to obtain them.	86
„ „	Adm. Com. -	Comrs. for Prize Goods.	Order to deliver to General Penn and the commanders of his squadron 16 butts of Spanish wine, taken in the Rose of Amsterdam, at the price it is worth, charging the same upon their respective accounts, and to sell the rest and the other lading, unless the Navy Commissioners demand it for the fleet within 5 days.	87
„ „	„ -	Navy Com^rs^	Order to enter John Moalamb as chaplain of the Jersey frigate - - - - -	88
„ „	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham Dock.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Asks that his nephew, Phineas Pett, may have the contract for building a 3rd rate ship at Chatham; he is recommended by Capt. Taylor, and has a friend who will see that he performs what he undertakes.	89
„ 14	Capt. Alex. Farley, *Basing, Harwich.*	„	Recommends Abraham Wells as his carpenter; with certificate of Jonas Shish, 21 Aug., that Wells was employed upon the ships when building at Walderswick, and is fit for the place.	90, 90*a*
„ „	Jas. Wilson, *Cadiz* -	—	Accounts of receipts and expenses on ships left with him by Admiral Penn in 1652. Total 4,693*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.*	91
„ „	Christ. Consett -	Adm. Com.	Asks payment of his wages as clerk of the check in the Raven; has several times petitioned in vain	92
„ „	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs^	To allow Capt. Tatnell his arrears as captain of the Rosebush, deducting the value of a butt of brandy, sent on board for the ship's use, but sold by him on his own account.	93
„ „	„ -	„	Order to make out a bill for 560*l.* to Edm. Edgar, ship builder, in excess for building the Yarmouth and Winsby frigates.	94
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Have the tickets of 10 soldiers of the Mathias, but as they have run, shall not pay them without special order, as it would be a bad precedent.	95
„ „	„ - -	„	Send the Apothecaries' bills for replenishing the chests of General Blake's squadron - -	96
„ „	„ - -	„	Send certificate of the master and wardens of the Barber Surgeons' Company, as to what medicaments and their quality are usually provided for surgeons' chests for 8 months' sea service.	97
„ 15	Capt. Anth. Spatchurst, *Paul,* 400 *leagues from Newfoundland.*	„	Had orders to go to Newfoundland, under Capt. Bourne of the Essex, but lost him and the Middleburg in a storm. As the Paul is in good condition, will endeavour to reach Newfoundland, convoy home the ships there, and report proceedings on arriving at Plymouth.	98
„ „	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs^	Order that the Paradox at Deptford be laid up, the able mariners turned over, with their tickets and clothes, to some other ships fitting out, and the rest of her company paid off.	99
„ „	„ -	„	Order to furnish the Little President with 3 months' victuals at Milford Haven - - -	100
„ „	Thos. Pointer -	„	Asks for some allowance while employed signing and distributing instructions to clerks of the check and stewards in the fleet, and taking account of the officers.	101

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1654. Aug. 16	Company of the *Middleburg.*	Capt. Wm. Godfrey.	Petition him to abandon the voyage to Newfoundland, whither he and 5 other State's ships were to convoy the merchant ships, their ship having been much damaged in the storms off the Western Islands; the Admiral ship Essex, under Capt. Bourne, having lost her mainmast, and being about to return to England, beg to accompany it. With certificate by 9 of the company of the defects and damage sustained.	Vol. 86. 102, 103
" "	Thos. Scott, *Deptford.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends for signature a bill of the charge of 70 soldiers. Has received 100*l.* upon two imprest bills, and wants 20*l.* to close the account.	104
" "	Major N. Bourne, *Deptford.*	Adm. Com.	Particulars of ships at Deptford, Woolwich, and the river - - - - -	105
" "	Thos. Smith, *Navy Office.*	"	Sends certificate by Thos. Scott, Manle Callis, and Geo. Kendall of their survey of the Duchess -	106, 107
" "	Capt. Isaiah Blowfield, *Convert, Portsmouth.*	"	Has been cruising off Seine Head in France, looking for the Great President, and took a ship laden with salt for the King of France, which he has brought into Portsmouth. As his surgeon is dead, is waiting for another, and will then hasten to his station.	108
" "	Capt. Geo. Daking, *Portsmouth.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Received order from General Penn at Whitehall to fit out the Grantham, which will be ready the first fair day, as will also the Torrington, if supplied with men. Sends a letter for the Generals.	109
" "	William Smith, blockmaker, *Portsmouth.*	—	Four accounts for blocks, pullies, &c. supplied to the stores and the Yarmouth and Dover frigates since Dec. 1653.	110–113
" "	Christ. Pett, *Woolwich.*	Navy Com^rs	The floating works, as also those of the shipwrights on the Naseby, being finished, will have to discharge 50 old and experienced hands, unless other employment comes in; as their discharge may be prejudicial, suggests that the works on the wharfs and banks of the new dock be proceeded with.	114
" "	Methuselah Turner, *Cheapside.*	"	Asks an order to pay Capt. Durnford's widow his share of the prize money for all the 3 engagements, it having been agreed to by Generals Desborow and Penn, and Colonels Clarke and Rouse.	115
" "	Capt. Jno. Stoakes, *George.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends account of his travelling and other disbursements; Commissioner Hopkins while in the Downs could do nothing therein; hopes the General's certificate will suffice for those charges, as also for the balance of his flag money, 3*l.* 4*s.*	Vol. 87. 1
" "	Capt. John Hunt -	"	Asks a certificate for the widow of Jno. Griffin, late of Col. Ingoldsby's regiment, slain while serving in the Pelican, to receive his prize money.	2
" "	Capt. Robt. Vessey, *Fox, Waterford.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Plying to the westward with the Greyhound and Truelove, by direction of Lord Fleetwood, was forced into Milford and Cork by severe storms; as his ship is very leaky, and not fit for winter service, asks orders as to coming in.	3

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1654. Aug. 17	Adm. Com. - -	Navy Com^rs	Order to enter William Fox as clerk of the check in the Nantwich frigate building at Bristol.	4
„ 18	Capt. Robt. Nixon, *Centurion, Spithead.*	Adm. Com.	Has come in with the Preston to revictual, and will then return to his station. Encountered very heavy storms from the westward.	5
„ „	Capt. Robt. Wilkinson, *the Weymouth, Harwich.*	„	Could not convoy the Adventure to the Downs, as she sailed before he arrived, and there are no others yet ready. Will fit his pink, and proceed there with speed.	6
„ „	Major N. Bourne, *Deptford.*	„	Has been up and down the river to see to the dispatch of the ships and stores, and advised General Blake thereon.	7
„ „	Stephen Skewes, *Satisfaction, Liverpool Water.*	Navy Com^rs	Philip Weedon, the purser, left the ship at Portsmouth, 8 months since. Another purser put in by General Fleetwood resigned the place in Skewes' favour through illness, and he held it for some time, but now Weedon has returned to take charge by their instructions; he has no warrant, and they may be ignorant of his former absence; asks orders. Does not desire the place for profit, being already provided for by them, but for the good of the service in which he has lost one of his hands.	8
„ „	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	Robt. Blackborne.	His brother has left for London, and having been very careful in his trust, deserves more encouragement. Hopes to follow him in a few days. The Saphire, Portsmouth, and Expedition are being fitted, and the Constant Warwick has come in.	9
„ 19	Capt. Jno. Bourne, *the Essex, Plymouth Sound.*	Adm.Com.	As there is no mast fit for his ship at Plymouth, will sail for Portsmouth and await orders -	10
„ „	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	„	Capt. Bourne came in for a mainmast, and has been compelled to go to Portsmouth to procure one. His ship is much shaken by the fall of the mast and the violent storms, and it is a great mercy that she and her men are preserved.	11
„ „	Chas. Walley -	Treasurer of the Navy.	Paid Capt. Nutton of the Satisfaction for making a forecastle to his ship, and 5*l.* to the surgeon to recruit his chest, and has a cable making which will cost 60*l.*; will send an account, signed by the captain, for all requisites. Took up 100*l.*, and has drawn a bill upon him payable in 10 days. Expects the canvas from London next week, when the ship will be ready for sea, as all her and the Hare's provisions are being shipped.	12
„ „	Saml. Windis, *Chester.*	Navy Com^rs	Victualling and manning of the Satisfaction. The men want some of their 9 months' pay due to buy warm clothes, as they are going to the Highlands of Scotland. As Mr. Walley is bound for London, most of the business will fall upon him; will do his best. Complains of the corruption of the officers.	13
„ „	Abra. Pearce, *the Essex, Plymouth.*	„	Sends a muster book. Having lost his mainmast in a storm, has been compelled to come in -	14

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1654. Aug. 19	Capt. William Goodson, *London.*	Manlie Callis.	Desires order for repair of the Galliot hoy, which was much damaged coming up the river. With note by Callis desiring a warrant for her graving, and another note that it was granted the 21st.	Vol. 87. 15
" "	Capt. Jno. Wettwang, *Sparrow, Newcastle.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends muster books. Has been cruising off Scotland by order of Gen. Monk, and when victualled, will return to look for 3 small men-of-war that Middleton has. Is very short of stores, and none to be had, and is forced to disburse money for tallowing.	16
" "	Adm. Com. - -	"	Order to send to the Downs victuals for 500 men of Gen. Blake's fleet - - - -	17
" 20	" - -	"	Order that,—as it has been referred to Generals Blake and Penn to entertain a sufficient number of midshipmen in their squadrons for the ensuing expedition,—they cause allowance to be made to the men according to the rates mentioned in the votes of Parliament for encouragement of mariners and seamen, from 16 on ships of the 2nd rank to 3 on those of the 6th.	18
" 21	" - -	"	Order for the refitting and victualling of the Phœnix at Chatham with all expedition - -	19
" "	" - -	"	Like order for the Bristol - - - - - - - - - - -	20
" "	" - -	"	Order to allow on the apothecaries' bills what is reasonable after abatement, regard being had to information for furnishing surgeons' chests.	21
" "	" - -	"	Order for the Navy victuallers to supply the Centurion and Preston at Portsmouth with provisions for 5 weeks.	22
" "	Capt. Ja. Terry, *the Jersey, Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	Left Maldon River the 18th, and on arriving at Harwich, requested survey, as much builder's work is needed. Wants a chaplain.	23
" "	" "	Navy Com^rs	To the same effect - - - - - - - - - - -	24
" "	Capt. Thos. Adames, *the Maidstone, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	Is ordered by General Blake to convoy the victuallers to Plymouth, as soon as they arrive from the Hope.	25
" "	Capt. Saml. Howett, *the Speaker, Downs.*	"	Sends list of ships in the Downs. Received their letter to Vice-Admiral Lawson, or in his absence to himself, as commander of the fleet, and has ordered the Adventure to ply off St. Malo, to annoy the French, and the Elizabeth to convoy vessels. The Plover is going to Newcastle to victual, and will then ply upon the coast to protect the colliers. The Kent has sailed with the Portuguese ambassador, and will follow to Plymouth General Blake, who has sailed with his fleet, but left many cables and anchors behind through the storm. Only the Adventure has arrived from Harwich, but when the rest come in, will send them for Seine Head and St. Malo. Wants men.	26
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	"	Will appoint the Sapphire and two others to range the coast of Brittany, Ushant, and Bell Isle, so as to intercept the enemy, and leave the Portsmouth, Expedition, and Old Warwick, at the mouth of the Channel. Capt. Bourne has taken 3 bankers, and sent them in. Capt. Bennet of the Welcome, has arrived with powder for the Taunton. A ship of London from the Straits, being driven into the Severn, saw the 3 prizes taken by Capt. Bourne.	27

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1654. Aug. 22	Capt. Robt. Wilkinson, *the Weymouth, Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	The Vice-Admiral having left the Downs, knows not what to do, and begs directions. Will be ready in a week. Sends deposition of himself and officers before Rich. Hurlock, mayor of Harwich, that in April 1653, near Newcastle, they saw the White Raven in an engagement with several Dutch ships, and that after several broadsides, she was surprised and taken, but they being to leeward, and having little wind, could not assist, and for their own security, made sail after their convoys into Leith Road.	Vol. 87. 28, 29
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Plymouth.*	"	Has arranged with the victuallers' agent for the provisions for General Blake's fleet, and ordered Capt. Heaton to press 10 more men, and when supplied with 2 brass guns, will proceed to the French coast, with the Constant Warwick and the Warwick. Is fitting the masts for the Portsmouth.	30
" "	Navy Comrs. -	"	As the unruliness of the seamen and soldiers who have unsigned tickets has become unbearable, not wishing to resent it themselves, send three of the worst, to be dealt with as they think fit. With information of Hen. Tilson that he heard 3 soldiers wrangling with the housekeeper of the Salutation because she would not pay their reckoning, and as Tilson refused to accept two groats, being all they had, for two sixpences, they told him if the Commissioners did not sign their tickets, they would cut and slash them.	31, 32
" "	" - -	"	Send the drafts and plans of the master shipwrights for building 2nd rate ships; it will be best for the service to confer with all the master shipwrights thereon.	33
" "	Jno. Boughton and Anth. Ashfield.	—	Deposition as to an assault committed by Capt. Isaac Woodgroom and his company, of the Africa from Smyrna, upon the lieutenant of the Newbery, while at Dartford pressing men.	34
" "	Thos. Alderne and Jno. Limbery, victuallers.	—	Accounts of provisions contracted or declared for, and of those issued for the summer and winter guard, at London, Dover, Portsmouth, Plymouth, Harwich, Kinsale, and Newcastle.	35, 36
" "	Geo. Payler - -	Jno. Falkener, *Whitehall.*	To move the Admiralty Committee to sign an enclosure respecting the guns for the Naseby, building by Comr. Pett, and to contract with the gunfounder for conveying the metal, as the ways will grow bad.	37
" 23	Capt. Jno. Bourne, *the Essex, Spithead.*	Adm. Com.	Has found a suitable mast at Portsmouth. Has had a survey of his defects, is in hand with repairs and victualling, and hopes to be soon ready to sail.	38
" "	Major Wm. Burton, *London.*	"	Asks an order for payment of the money granted to Widow Ewell by his Highness; her allowance is not sufficient, and it is a pity the wife of one that has so well deserved of the State should perish.	39
" "	Capt. Sam. Howett, *Speaker, Downs.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Thanks for his intelligence of the proceedings between the French and the Spaniard, which has been confirmed by an eye-witness from Dunkirk, who states that they are in such fear there of the French, that they have drowned a great part of the country about the town to prevent a siege.	40

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1654.				Vol. 87.
Aug. 23	Capt. Sam. Howett, *Speaker, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	Received their order for the Dragon to ply between Ushant and Bass Isle, but as she had sailed, sent the Winsby to relieve the Elizabeth off Seine Head so that she may join the Adventure at Bass Isle; will end the others to their stations as they arrive from Harwich. There being 7 or 8 vessels at Dunkirk, richly laden for London, has sent the Great President to convoy them.	41
„ „	Adm. Com. - -	Navy Com^rs	Order for the refitting of the Essex and sheathing of the Martin and Falmouth at Portsmouth -	42
„ 24	„ - -	„	Order to make out a bill to Thos. Blackman, Marshal-General of the fleet, from the date of his last payment, at 4*s.* a day; also to Rich. Baker, his deputy, at 2*s.*	43
„ „	„ - -	„	Order for the Navy Treasurer to pay Capt. Rich. Badiley, Rear-Admiral of the fleet, the wages due for his entertainment while serving in the Vanguard, at 20*s.* per day. With note that he served from 8 March to 7 July 1654.	44, 45
„ „	„ - -	„	Order to enter Clement Coxon as chaplain of the Lion - - - - - -	46
„ „	„ - -	„	Order for the Gainsborough at Chatham to be paid off and laid up, and the able mariners to be turned over, with their tickets and clothes, to some of the ships of the Swiftsure's squadron.	47
„ „	„ - -	„	Ask what has become of some provisions returned from the fleet in the Downs, and what victualing ships are ready; want the plans for the 2nd rate ships and the survey of the Duchess.	48
„ „	Cuthbert Embleton -	Adm. Com.	Petition for payment of 189*l.* 17*s.* 1*d.* balance due on his contract for the hire of the Speedwell hoy in July 1653, by order of the Generals, as a spy on the coast of Holland. With certificate of Capt. Jno. Bourne and Gen. Robt. Blake, and reference to the Navy Commissioners to make out a bill for the freight.	49, 50
„ „	Capt. Fras. Allen, *Advice, Harwich Water.*	„	As he can get nothing done to his ship there, will sail for Chatham - - - -	51
„ „	Capt. Jno. Bourne, *the Essex, Spithead.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Thanks for his Christian letter; is ashamed of his own distrust in the Almighty, and of living too much upon the fawns and good opinion of men. Has received orders for the speedy refitting of his frigate, and hopes to be ready next week. Had the captains of the fleet on board previous to the foul weather, and appointed their rendezvous in case of a separation.	52
„ „	„ „	Adm. Com.	Will use all expedition in refitting; the greatest want is beer, that on board being defective, and no promise of any by the victuallers' agent before next week.	53
„ „	Geo. Hughes, commander of the *Thomas Bonadventure.*	„	Certificate that she was impressed into the State's service by the agent at Leghorn on 1 Feb. 1650 and discharged 7 June 1653. With note by Manlie Callis, Deptford, 28 July, that she is 76 feet long and 28½ feet wide, which makes 333 tons.	54–56
„ „	Capt. Thos. Elliot, *Fagons frigate, Harwich.*	„	Has sailed with the Yarmouth for Hoseley Bay, where he hopes to complete his number of men -	57
„ „	Capt. Wm, Ledgant, *Little President, Milford Haven.*	„	Asks whether to receive 3 months' provisions from Mr. Browne, the victualler, or go to Plymouth, and whether to continue cruising on the coast, not having seen any of the enemy for two months.	58

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1654.				Vol. 87.
Aug. 24	Capt. Robert Mackey, *Yarmouth frigate, Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	Will sail to the Commander in-Chief in the Downs with the first wind, and the Pelican, Tiger, and Colchester will follow in a few days.	59
" "	Capt. Rich. Newbery, *the Newbery.*	"	Has been long absent through sickness, but is now getting his guns and provisions on board, and has 150 men. Desires orders as to sailing. With draft of a letter from the Admiralty Committee, transmitting some printed tickets which the captains are to give on discharge of seamen, to prevent further frauds on the Navy; duplicates to be returned to the Navy office with the muster books, and notice to be given that no other tickets are to be henceforth given out.	60
" "	Capt. Jno. Taylor, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs^	Repairs of ships - - - - - - - - - - - -	61
" "	Navy Comrs. - -	Adm. Com.	Ask what ordnance the Phœnix and Bristol are to carry; they are ready to be revictualled -	62
" "	Capt. Ga. Sanders, *Tiger, Harwich.*	"	Has taken in most of the beer, and will ship the rest of the provisions next week. The fitting of the ship has been delayed by foul weather.	63
" "	Capt. Giles Shelley, *the Colchester, Harwich.*	"	Victualling of his ship. As the men pressed out of colliers have run, desires leave to stay in Hoseley Bay to get more.	64
" 25	Capt. Wm. Whitehorn, *Pelican, Harwich.*	"	Came in by order of the Vice-Admiral to refit and victual. Has mounted the guns and received a portion of the provisions, and if the victuallers do not fail, hopes to return to the Downs by the 30th.	65
" "	Capt. Jno. Blythe, *Recovery, Harwich.*	"	Has seen the provisions shipped at Ipswich for Harwich, and will hasten to Newcastle and observe their orders.	66
" "	Capt. Alex. Farly, *the Basing, Harwich.*	"	The carpenters' and caulkers' work is completed, and the remainder of the provisions promised next week; only waits the guns, for which the gunner has been staying in London the last 6 weeks.	67
" "	Capt. Wm. Godfrey, *the Middleburg, Falmouth.*	"	Sends note by Edw. Smith, carpenter, of defects in his ship. Was one of the squadron bound to Newfoundland, under Capt. Jno. Bourne, but receiving much damage in a storm, was forced to put back; will endeavour to reach Plymouth, where he will expect further orders.	68, 69
" "	Rich. Hill - -	Navy Com^rs^	Twelve months since, received a bill for 10*l.*, and a letter from the Admiralty Committee for 25*l.* more, for Anne, relict of Jno. Skin, pilot of the Dragon, slain in the engagement off Portland. She has received the 10*l.*, but not the 25*l.*, as the letter has been lost; she has 3 children, and is in great distress; desires they will grant another letter.	70
" "	Thos. White, *Dover*	"	Intended to attend them with his account for ships, but the Merlin put back for repairs. Thanks for paying his bill of exchange for 89*l.* to Thos. Robinson, smith. Will sign the sailmakers' bill, and hopes they will pay it in London.	71
" 26	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs^	Order to sell the Sun, Duchess, Swan, and Redheart pink, with a fit part of their guns, tackle, &c., to the best advantage.	72

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1654. Aug. 26	Adm. Com. -	Com^rs for Prize Goods.	To deliver the wine and mumm for General Penn's squadron excise free, and charge the same upon account. With note by the Commmissioners 30 Aug., that the Excise Commissioners say they cannot comply without express order from his Highness and Council. Ask if they shall pay the excise.	Vol. 87. 73
" "	Capt. Jno. Bourne, *the Essex, Spithead.*	Adm. Com.	The beer and bread on board are very defective, and the victuallers' agent requires an order before making a fresh supply; if that arrives, hopes to sail next week.	74
" "	Nich. Murford -	Robert Blackborne.	Begs pardon for troubling him with the abortive issue of his brain in Mr. Fox's business (who obtained Lord Widdrington's recommendation). Desires the bearer's petition may be read. Long knew him at Lynn; he is disabled by a wound in his leg, and has a wife and an afflicted child.	75
" "	Officers of the *Half Moon* and 3 surgeons.	—	Certificate that the surgeon's chest of the Half Moon being in the long boat which was cast away, the contents were damaged to the extent of 6*l.*	76
	Major John Wade, *Little Dean.*	Adm. Com.	Wants money to carry on the furnace works in Dean Forest, also an order to cast more ordnance, having a very able gun founder waiting.	77
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	"	Most of the fleet has been fitted from the stores, and the provisions are going in freely, but the beer is defective. The rigging of the Essex progresses, and several ships named have sailed.	78
" 28	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs	Order for a survey of the Paradox, and a certificate when she will be ready for service - -	79
" "	" - -	"	To refit the Marigold at Portsmouth for foreign service, with accommodation for carrying horses, &c.; and the Advice at Chatham, with 140 men and 36 guns.	80
" "	" - -	"		
" "	" - -	"	To victual the Phœnix and Bristol at Chatham, the former to carry 140 men and 36 guns, and the latter 150 men and 38 guns.	81
" "	Navy Victuallers -	Adm. Com.	They will find by the accounts that 4,000 men's victuals for 6 months have been over delivered at the several ports, and that for completing General Penn's fleet and other ships, a much larger quantity will be required than is in store. As beef and pork cannot be saved, repacked, and pickled under 3 weeks, desire a declaration for as many men as they think fit, so as to make the necessary provision.	82
" "	Capt. Jno. Barnes, *the Guinea, Rolling Grounds, off Harwich.*	"	Sailed for Newcastle to take in provisions, but is forced to anchor for want of a wind - -	83
" "	Capt. Edw. Blagge, *Plymouth.*	"	Received their express, and will be in readiness by the time of the frigate's arrival. Asks for the Marston Moor some small guns which were taken out of the Portland, and are in custody of Mr. Newbery.	84

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1654.				Vol. 87.
Aug. 28	Manlie Callis, *Deptford.*	Navy Com^rs^	Received their warrant for building a second rate ship. Has drawn out the midship bend, and is ready to make the moulds.	85
" "	Thomas and Rich. Ford, and 25 other merchants, *London.*	Generals of the fleet.	Thanks for ordering a convoy for their ships to and from Morlaix; desire it for 3 others named laden with linen, by which the State will receive a considerable revenue.	86
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Exeter.*	[Robt. Blackborne.]	As Capt. Godfrey has returned to Falmouth, his men should be disposed of elsewhere. Hopes to to be with Blackborne next Friday.	87
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Will launch the Lyme frigate on Thursday, but wants masts, deals, anchors, &c., as the stores are drained, and it will not do to depend upon the New England ships. Asks an order to their agent to furnish the ships in the river with what they require. With notes thereon by Jno. Davies, storekeeper.	88
" "	" "	Adm. Com.	Complains of the badness of the beer in ships named. Only 225 tuns have been shipped since the 12th, and there are 100 tuns ready, 60 of which are to supply the bad in the Essex, which will sail on Thursday. There is a great waste of beer through defective casks.	89
" "	Capt. Saml. Windis, *Chester.*	Navy Com^rs^	Alderman Walley, who has gone for London, had an order from Gen. Monck to hire a vessel to carry victuals to the Hare pink and Satisfaction; as he could not obtain one, has taken up one himself on a bill for 30*l.*, which he hopes will be paid, that his credit may be preserved. Was obliged to take up other sums and will send an account.	90
" 29	John Morris, *Gravesend.*	"	Sends muster book of the Gillyflower, and asks orders as to the entry and discharge of her men; 110 are entered, but he only found 61 at the first muster. Asks how to dispose of a large topmast he found drifting in the Hope, and towed to Harwich, of another taken up below that town, and of an anchor and 18 cwt. of cable found by a Colchester ketch, and delivered to Giles Wiggenor of Wivenhoe; also whether to send the muster books of the ships outward bound to Mr. Poortmans at Deal, or to London.	91
" "	Capt. Lionel Becher	Col. Jno. Clerke.	Is sorry he was absent when wanted, having business at the Exchange; is now attending at the Committee door.	92
" "	Capt. Robt. Wilkinson, *the Weymouth, Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	Will be ready to sail for the Downs on arrival of the provisions and stores, according to the orders sent to the several commanders.	93
" "	Capt. Jno. Bourne, *the Essex, Spithead.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Hopes to set his mast, and get in his provisions by Friday, when he will sail to his fleet at the rendezvous. The captains were all privy to his instructions how to act during his absence, viz., to secure and safely guard our friends, and molest and destroy our enemies; presumes they will defer returning as long as they can, in expectation of his arrival.	94
" "	" "	Adm. Com.	To the same effect. Wrote on the 26th of the defectiveness of the beer and bread, and hopes a speedy supply.	95

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1654.				Vol. 87.
Aug. 29	Capt. Wm. Cockraine, *Old Warwick, Plymouth Sound.*	Adm. Com.	Has come in to recruit beer, as most of his beer stinks. The ship is very leaky, and as it is 4 years since she came out of dock, or had anything done to her; asks whether it will be safe to keep at sea.	96
" "	Geo. Payler, *Navy Office.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Recommends Robert Montague for employment as a clerk of the check, and sends specimens of his handwriting.	97, 98
" "	Rob. Thomson, *Navy Office.*	Adm. Com.	They have ordered a survey of the Paradox at Deptford; she only needs small repairs, and may be speedily fitted for service.	99
" "	Ordnance Officers -	"	Took up a vessel at Woolwich to carry the Basing's guns and gunners' stores, and she is now laden and waiting for a convoy to the Hope. Have not neglected the dispatch of business, but many captains demand before they are ready to receive, and thereby much add to the demurrage.	100
" "	Prize Commissioners	Navy Com^rs	Jno. Prower and 3 others have brought in French prizes to Bristol, and are willing to enter the State's service. Ask notice when they are entered, so as to pay them for the time they served on board the prizes.	101
" "	Adm. Com. - -	"	Order to contract with the navy victuallers for victualling 6,000 men more for 6 months for the summer expedition, at 7¾*d.* a man per day, and to make out imprest bills for the amount.	102
" "	" - -	"	Order for the distribution amongst Gen. Penn's squadron of 100 cwt. of Castile soap, to be received from the Prize Commissioners and charged upon the officers of the respective ships.	103
" "	" - -	"	Order for the shipping of all stores intended for the squadron whereof the Swiftsure is admiral -	104
" "	Wm. Smith -	"	There are 300 tons of old hemp in the stores at Blackwall and Woolwich - - -	105
" 30	Thos. Woodcott, *Gravesend.*	"	Asks a warrant for discharge of Tho. Jenkins, an apprentice, impressed by the steward's mate of the Arms of Holland.	106
" "	Capt. Thos. Penrose, *Nonsuch, Dublin.*	"	Has landed the money, and as soon as he has changed the defective beer, will observe their order for transporting the Council over, having only 7 weeks' provisions. While in Chester water, had 12 men drowned by the upsetting of the longboat, engaged in procuring fresh water.	107 108
" "	Jno. Thurloe -	Adm. Com.	Encloses a letter sent to him; desires directions to the ship named in it to transport the Council over, in case the other appointed for that service does not come in.	
" "	George Payler, *Ordnance Office.*	Col. Clerke	Having received an order from the Admiralty Committee to provide 2 spare carriages for each of the mortar pieces at Portsmouth, asks whether they are to be in excess of those already there, and whether there are to be limbers to all of them.	109
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	Has set the mast of the Essex, and supplied her with 48 tuns of beer; hopes she will be rigged and will have sailed by the time promised. Conferred with the victuallers' agent respecting the bad beer, but the brewers will supply no more till the weather is cooler, so it will be much behind unless some other course is thought on. Departure of ships.	110
" "	Capt. Jno. Bourne, *the Essex, Spithead.*	"	Have set the mainmast, and if the remainder of the beer and provisions are received for those found defective, will be able to observe their orders on Friday.	111

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Aug. 30	Capt. Sam. Howett, *Speaker, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	Will dispose of the victuals to the ships in the Downs; asks whether they are to have sufficient for 3 weeks or 14 days. Two victualling ships for Gen. Blake came in for anchors, and left a raft of masts and fishes, which have been sent after them.	112
„ 31	Capt. W. Whitehorn, *Pelican, Harwich.*	„	Hopes to be able to sail by the 1st inst. Having discharged his late chaplain on his own solicitation, wants another.	113
„ „	Adm. Com. -	Navy Com^rs^	Order for directions to the navy victuallers to provide victuals specified for General Penn's squadron, for 6 and 8 months.	114
„ „	„ - -	„	Order for the Paradox to be repaired, fitted, and victualled for service upon the coast - -	115
„ „	Capt. Pet. Bowen, *Mayflower, Caldey Road.*	Adm. Com.	Has been plying on his station, and met several of the Irish squadron, also the Cat pink, which nearly foundered, but is now at Kinsale with others to victual. Convoyed 2 merchantmen from there bound up the Severn, and having spent his foretopmast, has come in to refit.	116
Aug.	Comrs. for Sick and Wounded.	„	In favour of John Maltby, surgeon of Hull, for payment of sums due for his charge of the sick wounded there in 1655. With certificates of Drs. Jas. Primrose, and Rob. Willie, and Jerome Collins, surgeon, 15 Aug., and of Rich. Wood, mayor of Hull, and 6 others, 18 Aug., to his skill and care; and his power of attorney, 22 Aug., appointing Wm. Fugill, stationer of Hull, to receive the money for him.	117–120
„ „	Edm. Mathews, *Stepney.*	„	Petition for a gunner's place. Served 20 months in the Fortune; has been 10 years in the service, and was gunner under Capt. Haddock and others, and always well affected. With certificate by John Paterson and 6 others of Stepney.	121, 122
„ „	Capt. John Parker, of the *Truelove.*	—	Six receipts for money paid by him for repair of the Truelove, from 17 April to 23 Aug. 1654 -	123–128
„ „	Captains and officers of ships.	And. Wells, Navy agent, *Hull.*	Receipted bills for provisions, and repairs for the Mermaid, 2–21 Feb. [13 papers]; the Assurance, 6–21 Feb. [11 papers]; the Newcastle, 13–23 Feb. [15 papers]; the Brier, 25 Feb.–2 March [4 papers]; the Duchess, 20 June–9 Aug. [8 papers]; the Primrose, 21 June–9 Aug. [25 papers]; and ships not named [3 papers].	129–207
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Sept. 1	Wm. Hempson, *George, Plymouth Sound.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Will distribute the printed tickets and instructions; fears the victuallers have not left the Downs; all is at a stand for want of them. Desires continued correspondence; the country to which he is bound may afford some varieties.	1
„ „	Navy Comrs. - -	Adm. Com.	Contracted at 7¾*d.* a day with the navy victuallers, who demand 8*d.* per man a month for necessary money over and above 6*d.*; desire particulars of what was agreed on.	2
„ 2	Ordnance officers -	—	Certificate that Josias Dewye has not received any debenture for 100 barrels of English gunpowder, delivered into the stores on 10 July last.	3
„ „	Capt. Jno. Bourne, *the Essex, Spithead.*	Adm. Com.	Will sail to Plymouth Sound the first opportunity, having changed the bad provisions and received the stores.	4
„ „	Capt. Jno. Seaman, *Dragon, Portsmouth.*	„	Will be ready to sail on the 5th; asks whether to ply on his former station off the Start, Portland, and the French coast, or elsewhere.	5

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Sept. 2	Capt. Jno. Taylor -	Adm. Com.	Recommends Philip Easton as master carpenter in the Indian prize, in place of Robert Veale -	6
" "	Capt. John Bourne, *the Essex, Spithead.*	Robt. Blackborne.	The wind has prevented his sailing to-day. Thanks for favours and prayers, which refresh his spirit.	7
" 3	" "	"	Will sail as ordered when the tide permits. If ordered on the former design, wants more men in case he meets with prizes.	8
" "	Capt. Sam. Howett, *Speaker, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	In the storm yesterday 2 vessels put back, several broke their cables, and one ran foul of a Virginia ship. The Success firing distress signals, sent a hoy after her, but hears the firing was for a pilot. The Mary fly boat has brought some victuals and beer; 3 vessels came in on Saturday, but not the Katherine nor those from Harwich.	9
" 4	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	"	Launching of the Lyme frigate. The shipwrights approve the place for building a second-rate ship. The Preston has come in with a Dutchman laden with salt, bound for France, and the Essex has sailed for Plymouth. The business of victualling yet sleeps.	10
" "	" "	Navy Com^rs	To the same effect. Asks for stores mentioned; also whether they allow conduct money to surgeons, or anything for transporting their chests, and whether a second-rate ship is to have more than 18 barrels of pitch or rosin.	11
" "	Capt. Wm. Whitehorn, *Pelican.*	[Blackborne.]	Being bound westward again, wants a chaplain; one of those who came from New England would do, or Mr. Peters might procure one.	12
" "	Thos. White, *Dover*	Navy Com^rs	Sends his account for repair of ships, and desires they will sign his bill for 200*l.*, and order the treasurer to pay it, and those of the sail and rope makers. Will be up with his paper in 8 or 10 days, being delayed in distributing victuals to ships in the Downs.	13
" "	Com. Peter Pett, *Navy Office.*	Adm. Com.	Recommends Edw. Byland, who was carpenter's mate in the Sovereign and Triumph, and has been in two engagements with the Dutch, and since employed by him in building the Naseby, to succeed Jno. Pack, carpenter of the great frigate at Woolwich, deceased.	14
" 6	Capt. John Bourne, *the Essex, Spithead.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Sailed on Monday, and got into Swansea Bay, but has been driven back by storms, and lost a cable and anchor, but hopes to recover them. The new mast and shrouds are bad, but no better can be had.	15
" 8	Major N. Bourne, *Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	Renews his application for an order for payment of the salaries of the shipwright, master attendant, and storekeeper, as they have not received anything since coming down; being now upon the place, desires to settle all affairs; as there was great hurry and confusion in the stores last year, advises a balancing of the accounts of the storehouse. Wants a warrant for Abra. Wells as carpenter of the Basing.	16

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1654. Sept. 8	Math. Haydon -	Adm. Com.	Request to summon Thos. Dunning, master of a hoy of Rochester, before them, to answer for contempt of their warrant. Was authorised by them and the victuallers to press vessels to carry provisions to the fleet, and upon going on board Dunning's ship, he said that the commissioners and victuallers were all rogues, and he would sink her before she should be so employed.	17
„ 9	Adm. Com. - -	Commanders of the *Old Warwick* and *Expedition*.	Order to sail to the Hope and give notice of their arrival, when they will receive further orders -	18
„ 11	Capt. Thos. Elliot, *Fagons, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	Wants a master and surgeon, and further orders. Has 3 months' provisions. Capt. Howett is commander in the Downs.	19
„ „	Capt. Saml. Howett, *Speaker, Downs.*	„	Sends a letter to the Generals from two merchants bound to Morlaix, desiring a convoy there and back, and desires order as to appointing the Welcome; also as to detaining the Zealander, brought in with salt, and presumed to be French. 48 hogsheads of pork and 6 tuns of beer have been delivered out of the Mary flyboat to the victuallers gone to Gen. Blake, but the bread is bad. Arrival and departure of ships named.	20
„ „	Capt. Thos. Thompson, Manlie Callis.	„	Recommend Harrington Woodkeeper as a carpenter, he having so served on board the Crow -	21
„ „	Harrington Woodkeeper.	„	Petition to be carpenter on the Assurance. Has served by sea and land 4½ years, and was 1½ years carpenter on the Crow, now laid up.	22
„ „	Capt. Robt. Wilkinson, *the Weymouth.*	—	Examination concerning the capture by the Dutch off St. Abb's Head of the White Raven, commanded by Capt. Hen. Southwood; before J. Fowler, advocate of the Fleet.	23
„ 12	Ordnance officers -	Adm. Com.	Have laden the Elizabeth and Seaflower of London with ammunition for the stores at Portsmouth, and they have fallen down to Gravesend to wait a convoy.	24
„ „	Capt. Hen. Maddison, Rich. Whitheare.	—	Certificate that Geo. Walters served as cook in the Mary prize, taken by Sir Geo. Ayscough in the West Indies, and deserves encouragement.	25
„ „	Capt. Thos. Wilkinson, *the Hampshire, Plymouth.*	Navy Com[rs]	Sends duplicates of the tickets of men discharged. With draft in short hand of a letter, endorsed	26
„ 13	Capt. Robt. Plumly, *Reserve, Bull Bay, Newfoundland.*	Adm. Com.	Is sorry they lost their admiral, Capt. Jno. Bourne, as he was much wanted by the squadron. Met Capt. Geffery of the Nightingale, who accompanied him to Bull Bay with a French prize; Capt. Dickenson of the Gift, and Capt. Spatchurst of the Paul also came in. Met on board the Nightingale, and as all the French had left, it was resolved that Capts. Geffery and Spatchurst should convoy home the first fleet, the Nightingale and Paul the next, and himself and Capt. Dickenson should stay until the remainder were ready, and then make for Plymouth.	27

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1654. Sept. 13	Capt. Jno. Taylor, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs	Sent to Commissioner Pett to view and agree for a parcel of timber for building the second rate ship; having to pay a large sum down for this and forother timber and materials for the stores, wants 1,000*l.*, or the works cannot go on.	28
„ 14	W. Barbour, *Admiralty Office.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Asks a warrant for Jno. Cockerell to be carpenter of the Indian, and Harrington Woodkeeper of the Assurance; also the hastening of his master's business, which Gen. Penn promised to forward.	29
„ „	Capt. Saml. Howett, *Speaker, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	Dispatch of ships to their station. Desires a convoy for some merchantmen bound to Morlaix -	30
„ „	Jno. Clifton, *George, Plymouth Sound.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends muster book, his men at last muster being 373; also duplicates of printed tickets delivered them for their pay. Is waiting for a wind to sail.	31
„ „	Com. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	„	Will launch the Advice next spring tide. Discharged several sick soldiers on board; wants stores. As the Triumph is expected in, asks whether the men are to be paid off and discharged. Mr. Sewell wants canvas, and Mr. Aldridge will attend them about Dean Forest.	32
„ 15	Capt. Thos. Wright, *Heartsease, Hope,*	„	Has been out 18 months, and there is great complaint for want of pay. The clerk of the check has sent in his accounts, but Mr. Wilson said they could not be audited until the ship was paid.	33
„ 18	Major N. Bourne, *Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	The Basing has sailed with the money, but her steward left her unsupplied with many stores, and went to London. The Jersey has been tallowed, and is taking in her guns and 5 months' provisions. Has been 10 days in settling the accounts of the stores at Harwich last year, and will bring them up this week.	34
„ „	Vice-Adm. Lawson, *Fairfax, Portsmouth.*	„	Must either have the Fairfax girdled, or remove with his officers and guns into the Lyme. Will lose no time.	35
„ „	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	„	Received order from Vice-Adm. Lawson for girdling the Fairfax, but other work has to be done to Gen. Penn's fleet; is short of men and materials, and thinks it would be better done in a dock. The Marigold has come in to be double-planked, but there is no tar.	36
„ 19	Com. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs	Mr. Maplesden, the purveyor, has bought 100 loads of timber for building the second-rate ships; has given him a bill of imprest for 1,000*l.* The Triumph is expected daily. Is unloading one of the two ships with the hemp.	37
„ „	„ „	Adm. Com.	Recommends Mr. Fletcher, foreman to the late Mr. Christmas, master carver, as his successor -	38
„ „	Comrs. for Prize Goods.	„	Received their order to deliver to Thos. Ridley a prize vessel not exceeding 150*l.*, but have no such vessel in their custody.	39
„ 20	———	—	List of 7 prizes brought into the Downs by the Yarmouth frigate - - - - - -	40
„ „	———	—	List of 25 ships abroad on the stations, and in the Downs - - - - - -	41
„ „	Prize Comrs. - -	Adm. Com.	The Pelican and Lewis, two French ships with whalebone and oil, have been brought to London from Plymouth, and as they are leaky and the goods will be damaged, desire order to unlade them. The Act limiting the sittings of the Admiralty Court expired last Saturday, and it cannot grant one.	42

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1654. Sept. 20	Rowland Humphrey, clerk of the check, *Nonsuch, Plymouth Sound.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends a sea book for the last voyage, and would have sent one for this but has not half his men, for the General orders them into his ship when not at sea, in case they should run, as they did after receiving some of their pay in the Downs, leaving 4 months still due, and many having tickets. Has been plying by order of General Blake to find the victuallers and the rest of the fleet, some of which have put into Dartmouth, and is now waiting orders.	Vol. 88. 43
„ „	Com. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	Sends letter of Lieut. Nath. Browne of the Triumph, 19 Sept., about transferring 30 of his men to some victualling ships, by order of Vice-Admiral Howett, whereby he was compelled to borrow others to bring his ship in; asks orders as to fixing the cook's room in the Sovereign.	44, 45
„ 21	Capt. Nich. Foster, *London.*	Robt. Blackborne	Sends a power of attorney, 27 Sept. 1654, for Col. Wm. Hilliard to receive 140*l.* due to him as commander of the Phœnix, and any other moneys that may grow due to him as captain in the navy, until he has received 196*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*, balance of 336*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.*, Hilliard being security for him for that amount to Thos. Kendall, merchant of London, but desires the power may not be delivered until the counter security has been obtained.	46, 47
„ 22	Com. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm	Asks whether to turn over 50 able men from the Triumph to some ship in the Hope. Will order her up to her moorings from Long Reach.	48
„ „	Thos. Scott, *Deptford.*	Navy Com^rs^	Cleared all imprest bills with the treasurer, save one for 40*l.* left. Received 100*l.* more for board wages, and paid 140*l.*; having many ships to repair, desires another bill for 60*l.* Received 3 imprest bills to pay board wages to soldiers, but the charge amounted to 7*l.* more.	49
„ 25	Christ. Pett and 2 others, *Woolwich.*	Adm. Com.	Recommend Thos. Clemens of the Naseby as master attendant at Woolwich - - -	50
„ „	Ordnance officers -	„	Demanded the journal book of Jas. Rothwell, clerk to Col. John White, but he refused to produce it by order of Col. White, who is clerk of the Ordnance office and keeper of the records; they are therefore hindered in the execution of their duties.	51
„ 26	Comrs. for Prize Goods.	„	Offer for Mr. Ridley the Ellen dogger boat, and a quantity of guns, valued together at 146*l.* 15*s.* in lieu of the prize vessel ordered.	52
„ „	Capt. Edm. Thomson, *Advantage, Liverpool.*	Navy Com^rs^	Will repair to the Thames as directed; begs order to Mr. Walley to give him money for necessaries, as having been so long off the ground, much is required. With note that he is to do only what is necessary, and to come away speedily.	53
„ 27	E. Hopkins, *Navy Office.*	[Rob. Blackborne.]	Particulars of ships in the river and as far as the Hope belonging to Gen. Penn's squadron. Mr. Pett being in town can state what ships are at Chatham.	54
„ „	Theop. Sacheverell, the *Plymouth, Plymouth Sound.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends two muster books and tickets of discharged men - - - - - - -	55

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1654. Sept. 27	Navy Comrs. - -	Adm. Com.	In victualling the fleet for the future, do not judge it impossible that contracts may be made with more advantage. Victualling ships should be used only on extra occasions, but the ships should come into port and complete their proportions; those sent in having any remains should dispose thereof to ships remaining out, and for want of such, to other ships; what is defective should be immediately sold. For preventing further loss, more care must be had in selecting stewards, and for encouragement, they should be allowed ½ what they save. The commanders should be solicited to attend to the provisions on board, and keep a constant check on the expenditure. A timely declaration should be made for provisions to be issued to the fleet, and the commissioners having the management of these affairs should appoint all subordinate officers.	Vol. 88. 56
„ 28	Capt. Jno. Clifton, *George, Plymouth Sound.*	Navy Com[rs]	Sends duplicates of tickets issued. The wind being east, and the whole fleet riding together, they are making ready for sea.	57
„ „	Christ. Pett, *Woolwich.*	„	Recommends William Cooper as purveyor of timber for the ships building at Woolwich. The Crow and Hope will be ready to victual next week.	58
„ „	Edm. Newton, midshipman of the *Saphire.*	—	Order of a court-martial held on board the George, before Capt. Joseph Jordan and 5 others, that he—having been sent to be tried for embezzling goods out of the St. Joseph of St. Sebastian, to which he was appointed master—be referred to the Admiralty Committee, to be tried according to the 9th article of Martial Law. Also warrant of Capt. N. Heaton of the Sapphire, directing Newton to take charge of the vessel, and deliver it to the Commissioners for Prize Goods at Plymouth. Also examinations, Sept. 23, of Newton, Wm. Salmon, and Wm. Danger, by the Prize Commissioners, as to the embezzlements thereout. Also certificate, Sept. 27, of Jno. Buckenham, notary public of Plymouth, that Peter Fox of Plymouth, yeoman, deposed before him that by warrant of the Sub-Commissioners for Prize Goods, he went to Kingsand, and seized 22 bundles and 2 chests of whalebone, and a cable and anchor, embezzled out of the St. Joseph of St. Sebastian, sent into Plymouth by the Sapphire, as well as other suspected goods; that he was assaulted there by Edward and Wm. Salmon, Rich. Rowdon, and others, and that the constable, Wm. Samson, jun., would not interfere, as they were his friends.	59–64
„ „	Company of the *Islip*	Adm. Com.	Petition that they will pay no heed to the false accusations made by the commander, Capt. Edw. Tarleton against Jno. Stepwell, the master, there being an attempt to remove him in favour of Edw. Whopper, who has never been in the service, nor can give any account of his fidelity.	65
„ 29	Comrs. for Prize Goods.	„	Are informed by the officers on board the salt prizes taken from the French that the ships are Dutch, but the salt French; as they are all leaky and in danger of perishing, and as the Admiralty Court is not sitting, desire order for the sale of the salt, as also of the oil and whalebone in the 2 Greenland ships taken from the French; it will now fetch a high price.	66
„ „	Griffin Saite, *Expedition, Chatham.*	Navy Com[rs]	Has brought his ship up, and awaits further orders - - - - - -	67

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Sept. 29	Capt. Mich. Tarleton, *Liverpool.*	Adm. Com.	Capt. Nutton came in for victuals and a cable, and might have been at Inverlochy but he neglected the opportunity of the wind.	68
„ 30	Jno. Swann, shipwright, *Inverlochy, Scotland.*	„	Has been requested by Col. Brayne, commander-in-chief of the garrison there, with leave of Capt. Math. Brown of the Wren, to absent himself for the purpose of building a small vessel to carry provisions and stores to and from the garrison; as it will be less charge to the State than hiring one by the month, begs to be excused for his long absence from the Wren.	69
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	„	To appoint a successor to Capt. Taylor, master shipwright at Chatham, his resignation having been accepted.	70
„ „	General Robt. Blake	Capt. Wm. Cockraine, *Old Warwick.*	Warrant to receive Edm. Newton, transport him to the Admiralty Committee in London, and deliver him into the custody of such as they shall appoint.	71
Sept.	Hen. Langham, cashier to the Comrs. of Customs.	Adm. Com.	Account of payments since 7 Sept. from the customs in London for salaries, and by warrants from the Council of State, in pursuance of the order of 29th Sept.; total, 35,934*l.* 3*s.* 7*d.*	72
„ „	John Davies - -	„	Account of standards, colours, shallops, tar, &c. in the stores at Deptford - - -	73
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Oct. 1	———	—	List of ships, &c. sold by the candle at Deptford and London since 13 Oct. 1653, with the prices and purchasers' names.	1
„ „	Capt. Anth. Young, *Vanguard, Queenborough.*	Adm. Com.	Has come in by order of Vice-Adm. Howett, and written Comr. Pett of his arrival. Will proceed to Chatham with speed.	2
„ „	Adm. Com. -	Navy Comrs	Order to make out a bill for 4,883*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* for clothes provided by Vice-Adm. Goodson for Gen. Penn's squadron, and to see that the amount is defalked out of the pay of the officers and seamen of the squadron.	3
„ 2	Phineas Pett, *Chatham.*	Edw. Hopkins.	Received 1*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.* from Mr. Thompson for pendants bought of Robt. Withers, and will pay it into the Treasury. Has confidence in Mr. Randall's promise. Messrs. Sewell and Hayward will not take an account of the cordage bought of Mr. Gold until ordered. The Victory and 3 other ships have arrived.	4
„ „	Robt. Sewell and Peter Ellis, *Chatham Dockyard.*	[Navy Comrs.]	Ask supply of Noyals and Vittry canvas, as the stores are quite destitute, and the President is waiting to be fitted.	5

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1654. Oct. 3	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs^	The Victory and Expedition have arrived; has turned over 60 of their men into the Advice and President, and 60 out of the Vanguard, which will complete their number and enable them to discharge their lame soldiers; the men are coming up for their pay. Will expend their beer upon petty warrant, and send up the rest of the provisions. The purveyors ought to take more care to observe orders. Has launched the Advice, and the President is in dry dock.	Vol. 89. 6
" "	Collectors for Prize Goods.	—	Recommendation of Thos. Chetwood, formerly a tide waiter, and afterwards with Col. Deane, for employment.	7
" "	Capt. Rich. Ducie, *Nicodemus, Kinsale.*	Adm.Com^rs^	Has been plying on the west by order of the Commissioners at Dublin. Saw 3 Frenchmen on the coast, but they did no harm.	8
" "	Capt. Edm. Thomson, *Chester.*	Navy Com^rs^	Having been at sea 6 months, was constrained to lay his ship on shore for repairs, &c.; had 20*l.* of Capt. Whitworth for which he has drawn a bill.	9
" 4	Thos. Shewell, *Bristol.*	"	Has drawn a bill for 600*l.* upon the Navy treasurer for stores, &c. supplied to the Nantwich, and desires it may be paid. The ship is not a fast sailer.	10
" 5	Phineas Pett, *Chatham.*	Edw. Hopkins.	Has forced 28*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* from Mr. Randall, on account of 38*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*; was glad to take it, as it was provided by those who bought the provisions of him, was all he received, and he may become insolvent. The Triumph has come in; if, as it is reported, she is reduced to a 2nd rate, desires warrant to reduce her 18 men borne in ordinary to 9.	11
" "	E. Hayward, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs^	Has compared Mr. Culmer's receipts and orders for provisions sent from Deal last year with the charge, but cannot discern any error, and has therefore charged the respective ships, whose books he has, with the supplies, and sent the rest to Mr. Kendall.	12
" 6	Thos. White, *Dover*	—	Account of disbursements in fitting out ships named from 26 April to 28 July 1654, total 363*l.* 2*s.* 9*d.*; and from 12 July to 5 Sept., total 811*l.* 7*s.* 9*d.* Passed 6th Oct. 1654.	13, 13*a*
" "	Wm. Goodson and Wm. Bridge, *Yarmouth.*	—	Certificate that Nich. Manley, chaplain of Yarmouth, was much persecuted by former bishops, and forced to fly to Holland, and while residing in Rotterdam, was always reputed of godly conversation and sound principles.	14
" "	Comrs. for Prize Goods, *Plymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Have seized the whalebone embezzled from the Joseph of St. Sebastian, in the house if Wm. Danger who brought it away, and General Blake has sent Newton to Portsmouth. Their messenger, Peter Fox, was nearly killed by Edw. Salmon, Rich. Rowdon, and others, put upon him by Wm. Salmon, who bought it. Also sent their officers to seize some hides and sugar embezzled out of another prize, in the house of Saml. Sargeant at Tregantle, being part of a larger quantity carried away by Ferdinando Popleston, but the constable of Anthony parish, Cornwall, refused to act on their warrant and orders, and obstructed the officers, for which he ought to be made an example of. With depositions in proof of the latter charge.	15, 16
" "	Anth. Porter, *Plymouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sailed from Plymouth on 29th ult., but has been forced back by foul weather. Lost anchors and cables in the Sound, and had great difficulty in getting into Catwater. The captain has written the Generals at Torbay of his condition.	17

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Oct. 6	Capt. Rich. Cowes, *Cat, Liverpool Water.*	Navy Com^rs^	Received Jas. Standish, treasurer of Ireland, on board, by order of the Lord Deputy and Council of Ireland, and landed him at Holyhead. Was then to have returned, but losing his anchor and cable in a storm, sailed for Chester, and received supplies from Capt. Jno. Whitworth, for which he has given a bill for 29*l.* 14*s.* 10*d.* Will sail for Dublin the first wind, but if he is to keep out the winter, will want sails.	18
" "	Dan. Bradley of *Gosport*, mariner, Saml. Williams and Thos. Butteresse, of *Portsmouth.*	—	Depositions before Fras. Holt, mayor of Portsmouth, that the Magdalen of Rochelle and the Small Nut of Olonne laden with salt, brandy, and paper, have been in Portsmouth Harbour nearly a year, and much of their lading has perished, and unless it is forthwith landed, further damage will ensue.	19
" 7	Capt. Alex. Farly, *Basing, Tynemouth Haven.*	Adm. Com.	Delivered the 30,000*l.* to the deputy treasurer at Leith; was then ordered by General Monk to stay for the Bryer, and after delivering her 6 weeks' provisions, sailed, but meeting with a storm off Huntley, put into Tynemouth; will sail for Yarmouth Roads with the first wind.	20
" "	Capt. John Whitworth, *Chester.*	Navy Com^rs^	Has been put to straits in supplying captains with money to procure necessaries for their ships, by the absence of Mr. Walley, and as it may often happen, desires instructions. Gave Capt. Thomson 20*l.*, and assisted Capt. Cowes driven in by the weather; encloses their bills.	21
" 9	Chris. Pett, *Woolwich.*	"	The Crow will be ready for her stores by the 12th, and a commander ought to be sent down to see to her rigging, &c., as only the boatswain and 2 others have arrived. Is in hand with the Assistance; asks a warrant to send the hoy at Deptford to fetch the timber provided at Arundel by Mr. Shish for the 2nd rate frigate.	22
" "	Capt. Saml. Dickinson, *Gift, Plymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Will sail to the Downs with the first wind. Has 2½ months' provisions, and the ship and furniture in good condition, but she wants caulking.	23
" "	———	—	Summary of 10 letters received respecting ships at Plymouth, Portsmouth, Spithead, Liverpool, and Dublin, also of one from Mr. Newbery, that there are 40 tons of iron guns put on shore, and Mr. Strudwick has 45 tons for disposal at 5*l.* a ton.	24
" 10	Prize Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Desire order for landing the oil, boxwood, and Spanish wool in the Elizabeth now in the river, which Vice-Adm. Howett certifies is from Bayonne to Havre de Grace, as the wool being hot, dries up the oil; there will be much damage to the goods, and the men are pumping out oil daily. [2 *copies.*]	25, 26
" "	Geo. Payler, *Navy Office.*	[Robt.] Blackborne.]	To ask the Commissioners what guns the Great President, Assistance, and Crow are to carry, also the ships for the winter guard, and whether any are to be sent as demanded for the frigate building at Bristol.	27

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1654. Oct. 10	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	The Crow will be ready to take in her sea stores next Thursday, and wants a commander and other officers.	Vol. 89. 28
„ 11	Phineas Pett, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs^	As he keeps an account of every ship, can state that the Nonsuch was graved, washed, tallowed, and furnished with stores.	29
„ „	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	The Lamport has arrived at Spithead in the condition mentioned by the captain. Has given order for taking out her masts, and will have a survey.	30
„ 12	W. Barbour -	Robt. Blackborne.	Asks him to procure a signed warrant for the bearer - - - - - -	31
„ 13	Chris. Pett, *Woolwich.*	Navy Com^rs^	The Crow wants a commander, and some men to see to her rigging, &c. Asks appointment of Wm. Cooper as purveyor to the yard, many provisions being wanted. Begs directions as to the Horsleydown shallop, which will become a wreck if much longer exposed. Many of the pressed caulkers have not arrived, and some sawyers are required from Mr. Johnson's yard at Blackwall.	32
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Ordered a furnace for the Jersey long since, and wonder the ship should have to wait, and her captain to make journeys to London upon such frivolous grounds, unless his complaints are merely a colour for coming up.	33
„ „	„ - -	„	Have given order for fitting out the Crow, but she wants a captain. The Horsleydown shallop had better be sold. Want order to pass the accounts of Gilbert Crane, for hire of the King David, employed to fetch masts from New England.	34
„ „	Geo. Payler, *Navy Office.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Asks what guns are to be supplied to the Crow - - - - - - -	35
„ „	Comrs. for Prize Goods.	[Adm. Com.]	The Admiralty Court being closed, ask an order to dispose of the cod fish in the Gift of God, a French vessel brought from Canada into Penryn.	36
„ 14	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Wants masts; also a list of the ships that are to be reduced in men and guns - - -	37
„ 16	Chris. Pett, *Woolwich*	„	Wants some 4-inch plank, there not being a load in the stores; Mr. Barnes has 60 loads, which Mr. Shish approves of; 3*l.* 15*s.* a load might be offered for it, as the price is going up on the report of the building of the 2nd rate ships.	38
„ „	Thos. Scott, *Deptford.*	„	Intended waiting upon them and the treasurer to deliver his imprest bills, but the Warwick and Constant Warwick have arrived, the men are paid and gone, and their guns and stores have to be taken out; as the Providence has also just come in, there is no room for any other. The Assistance at Woolwich wants sails and other stores.	39
„ 17	John Morris, *Gravesend.*	„	Sends account of men pressed for the Heartsease, since she has been in petty warrant, total 61, 20 of which have run, 5 are discharged, 3 pricked, and 33 on board.	40

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1654. Oct. 17	John Morris, *Gravesend.*	Navy Com^rs	Entered General Penn's squadron into sea victuals, and warned Col. Bellamy's man not to deliver any more provisions, but he nevertheless gave them 2 or 3 days' more. Cannot give any books to the clerks of the check until he has order to enter them into sea victuals; desires orders therein, and also as to mustering, &c.	41
" "	Geo. Payler, *Navy Office.*	Adm. Com.	Formerly acquainted them with some difference existing in the Ordnance office, and expected its removal. Has not since thought it convenient to act personally in the Tower, but has taken care the business has not been obstructed.	42
" 18	Navy Comrs. -	"	Send the petition of Susan Gladden, relating to the death of Jas. Gladden or Sladden; as it is a matter relating to life, whereof a tender respect should be had, examined Capt. Thos. Thompson, commander of the Crow, but he could not give any information, and what he offers in his own justification displays a great neglect of duty.	43
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	"	The Lamport has been cleaned and victualled, and her captain will observe Gen. Blake's orders. Having used the Lyme's mainmast, she will have to wait for those from London.	44
" "	Adm. Com. -	[Ordnance officers.]	Order that the journal and other entry books and records of the Ordnance office, kept by Col. White and other officers, be always ready for use and inspection on their meeting days, and at other times when required. Repeated 26 Oct.	45, 46
" 19	Thos. Bransby -	Adm. Com.	Petition for the master's place in the Sorlings, having so served in the Advantage, now laid up. With certificate of Capt. Edm. Thomson and 4 others in his favour.	47, 47a
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Whitehall.*	Navy Com^rs	Wants hemp, hammocks, deals, and other stores, to be sent by the ship bound with masts from London to Plymouth.	48
" 20	Jno. Ingram -	—	Certificate that Anth. Taylor, boatswain's mate of the Crow, was examined by the captain, in the hearing of the company, why he struck Jas. Sladden, when he replied that 4 of the crew ran away, and meeting Sladden, and fearing he was going to do the same, he struck him. On the captain's asking how he was, the surgeon said he had only a small scratch upon his head, and would be well in a day or two.	49
" "	Capt. Ja. Terry, and 3 others, *the Jersey, Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	Has received the furnaces, ended his business, and has 100 men on board; desires order for sailing. The victuallers at Ipswich threaten to unhorse him for finding fault with their stinking beef; has returned 5 hogsheads as not eatable; some of the masters who surveyed for the victuallers said they would rather meet with a Turk's man-of-war than the State's ships. Edw. Butter, master of the Tomsin of Ipswich, threatened violence if he dared to impress any of his men. With 5 certificates relative to the bad condition of provisions on the Jersey frigate.	50–55
" "	Capt. Mich. Tarleton, *Liverpool.*	Robt. Blackborne.	The Islip has come in for orders, and the Primrose and Hare pink to victual and repair. Asks whether he is to pay postage for public letters.	56

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1654. Oct. 20	Thos. Pointer -	Navy Com^rs	Petition and letter requesting a recommendation to the Admiralty Committee to be employed as clerk of the check in the Naseby, building at Woolwich, or in the Rainbow, having been in the service for many years, but now out.	Vol. 89. 57, 58
" "	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Find on survey that the Sparrow at Woolwich can be made fit for service at small expense -	59
" "	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Islip, Liverpool.*	"	Has come in from Inverlochy by order of Col. Brayne, to revictual and procure stores. Asks whether to disburse his own money and give his men tickets to procure clothes. Has received 14 days' provisions from Mr. Windis, the victualler, and when he has carried Lord Chief Justice Pepys to Dublin, will return for orders and supplies.	60
" "	Christ. Pett, *Woolwich.*	Navy Com^rs	Has surveyed the Sparrow pink, which can be made serviceable at small expense - -	61
" 21	Geo. Kendall -	"	To like effect - - - - - - - - - - -	62
" "	Capt Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	Arrival and departure of ships. Asks whether to order in the ships for the winter guard, to refit and victual.	63
" "	Major John Wade, *Gloucester.*	Adm. Com.	Has contracted with an iron master for 20 tons of sow iron at 6*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* a ton. Must either use the public money or make sow iron instead of shot till the forge is ready, or the work will fall for want of money.	64
" 20	John Morris, *Gravesend.*	Navy Com^rs	Has entered the ships into sea victuals, but continues the mustering as in harbour victuals, on account of the negligence of the clerks of the check and stewards. The captains are unwilling to have their officers' boys discharged. Asks whether to enter them, and continue mustering, and whether the stewards are to give account of their daily expenditure of victuals.	65
" 24	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Find on survey the old Warwick and Fox much decayed and defective; they had better be sold -	66
" "	Capt. Jno. Sherwin, *Primrose, Liverpool.*	Navy Com^rs	Was wind bound at Beaumaris, and also stayed there for Baron Pepys, to transport him to Dublin; but not hearing of him, was forced to come to Liverpool; desires order to refit and victual, and pay for his men, who have been out some time, and are badly off for clothes.	67
" 25	Christ. Pett, *Woolwich.*	"	Will finish the works on the Crow this week; she might have been sooner dispatched had a commander been appointed.	68
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Thanks for the intelligence. The Weymouth has brought in a small man-of-war from Ostend, with James [duke of] York's commission. The Lamport will sail to-morrow; the Vice-Admiral waits for a wind. The Elizabeth will have to be docked.	69
" "	" "	Navy Com^rs	A vessel has arrived with stores for Gen. Blake's fleet, but being too late, has ordered them on board the Lamport, which will sail to-morrow. Hopes to sheathe the Marigold this week, but is looking for supplies.	70
" "	Lieut. Steven Mallett, *Mathias.*	"	Begs payment of 2*l.* 16*s.* for expenses incurred, also his pay from 16 to 29 July, 1653, during which time he served in the Mathias, but was not entered; with certificate of Capt. Phil. Gethings and Phin. Pett that he had neither allowance of victuals nor wages during that time, though he was furthering the dispatch of the ship from Chatham. 26 Aug. 1654.	71, 71a

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1654.				Vol. 89.
Oct. 25	John Poortmans -	——	Certificate that by command of Gen. Penn, he drew up an order to the clerk of the check of the Triumph for entering Lieut. Robt. Clay as commander for 5 weeks, he then having served 10, without any captain, which is half pay, and that upon his discharge into the Sovereign, a ticket was given and he paid accordingly.	72
„ „	Capt. Robt. Claye, *Bryer, Hope.*	Adm. Com.	Was ordered to come in by General Monk, having been on the coast of Scotland 3 months, being out of victuals and pay, and the frigate requiring repair.	73
„ „	Jo. Davies, *Deptford*	Navy Com[rs]	Sends account of stores received at Deptford for an extra supply to General Penn's squadron -	74, 74a
„ „	Capt. Joseph Cubitt, *the Portsmouth, Plymouth Sound.*	Adm. Com.	While cruising about, fell in with Gen. Blake's fleet off Scilly; meeting the Essex and 2 others, has followed the orders of Capt. Bourne, who sent him in to refit and victual, and then to join him again. Encloses a complaint against his boatswains' mate. Begs to be excused from further employment, as there is now a peace with Holland, and he has a large family which requires his management.	75
„ 26	John Morris, *Gravesend.*	„	The Little Charity has 50 stables in the hold, but must have a quantity of provisions taken out before she can stow [8 horses] therein, and according to the rate of Barbadoes and Virginia ships, she cannot stow sufficient hay and water for them.	76
„ „	„ „	„	Sends account, by desire of the stewards of 14 ships named, of warrants not issued for victuals since their order.	77
„ „	Capt. John Bourne, *the Essex, Scilly.*	Robt. Blackborne.	The wind prevents his entering the channel. Has met no vessel that molests trade, but rescued a Plymouth ship, taken near the Land's End by a Brest man-of-war, There are 13 months' pay due to his own and 2 other frigates.	78
„ „	Capt. N. Heaton, *Sapphire, Plymouth Sound.*	Adm. Com.	Lost a foremast in chasing 2 enemies' ships. Will repair to his former station as ordered, but wants victuals, and the victuallers write that none are to be delivered till further order.	79
„ 27	Capt. Mich. Tarleton, *Liverpool.*	Robt. Blackborne.	The Islip waits to carry over Pepys, chief justice of Ireland, to Dublin - - - -	80
„ „	Capt. Lambert Cornelius, *Hopewell, Weymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Cannot find the Dragon, but left orders for her at Plymouth; fought a Brest man-of-war 6 hours, but she got away.	81
„ „	Capt. Fras. Cranwell, *Hare pink, Liverpool water.*	„	Will use all speed to dock and refit, but surgeons and carpenters keep wounds long in cure, and make long work. Has ordered an anchor, cables, and cordage; desires they will order masts, and money for his men's present necessities. With order by Gen. Monk to the victualler at Liverpool, to furnish him with 2 months' provisions.	82, 83
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	„	Ask whether the Primrose at Chester is to be revictualled - - - - -	84
„ „	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Liverpool.*	Navy Com[rs]	Will procure the stores required at the cheapest rates, allow his men 2 months' pay, send an account, and sail with the first wind for Dublin.	85
„ „	Thos. Trapham, surgeon of the *Savoy, London.*	„	Recommends Matthew Wright, apothecary, as a purveyor of medicaments, and at reasonable rates	86

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1654. Oct. 27	Capt. Jas. Terry, *the Jersey, Harwich.*	Navy Com^rs^	Had his boat stolen, and hearing she had been secured by Mr. Reader, master of the Edward and James of Ipswich, desires she may be sent to him in the Downs, as she is worth 20*l*.	Vol. 89. 87
" 28	Thos. Britton -	Adm. Com.	Petition for a gunner's place, having served as such in the Fox under Capt. Vessey. With certificate by Capt. Robt. Vessey, and a letter from Lord Hen. Cromwell, Dublin, 21 March 1654, in his favour.	88, 89, 90
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends an account of issues to surgeons. The Lamport has sailed with most of the stores brought in the hoy from Plymouth.	91
" "	" "	Robt. Blackborne.	Thanks for intelligence. Particulars of ships. A petition numerously signed is about to be presented to the Admiralty Committee by General Penn. Wishes all may be well.	92
" 29	" "	Adm. Com.	The Truelove has arrived from Ireland, with an order from the Lord Deputy to sail to the Downs, and wait orders; 6 of General Penn's fleet from the Downs are riding at Helen's Point.	93
" 30	" "	Navy Com^rs^	To the same effect. A Flemish vessel has arrived from Deptford with provisions for the stores; desires the remainder may be hastened down.	94
" "	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	"	Repair of ships. Sends an order from Capt. Willoughby for the Elizabeth to sail to Chatham for repairs, and a demand for canvas of 23 Oct.; trusts the service may not continue to suffer for want of a timely supply of stores. If sails cannot be sent, desires order to Mr. Davies to deliver some to Maurice Jones.	95, 95a
" "	" "	Robt. Blackborne.	To similar effect - - - - - - - - - - - -	96
" "	Manlie Callis, *Deptford,*	Navy Com^rs^	Melted 1 cwt. of the rosin, and finds that with 20 pounds of the stuff that came from Mr. Russell, it will be in a fit temper for use.	97
" "	Capt. Fras. Cranwill, *Hare, Chester*	Adm. Com.	Has ordered an anchor, cables, and ironwork of the smith, and is getting on with the works, but carpenters and surgeons make slow progress. Cannot get any money, as Alderman Walley is in London.	98
" "	Jno. Salkeld, *the Colchester, Hope.*	"	Sends two muster books. Has been cruising upon the French coast and the Channel. Convoyed two ships from Hull for Hamburg. Met a small man-of-war belonging to Dunkirk, and suspecting him to be a pirate, took him into Dover to be examined.	99
" "	L. Wright, *Charterhouse, London.*	Mr. Hopkins.	Recommends Mr. Wright as apothecary in an intended voyage, having found him very skilful in providing for Scotland. The Lord Protector and Col. Venables have received his testimony, with those of Drs. Bate and Goddard, for physicians to go the intended voyage.	100
" "	John Pitson, *Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	Sends accounts. Will take care of the 500 barrels of powder; has 150 barrels in store - -	101
" "	Com. Thos. Fowler, *Chester.*	"	As the Hare pink cannot be ready for 5 weeks, begs that some other may convoy the provisions and moneys to Scotland, the ships being in pay on the poor soldiers' account.	102

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1654.				Vol. 89.
Oct. 30	Capt. Ja. Terry, *the Jersey, Hoseley Bay.*	Adm. Com.	Is waiting for a wind to execute their orders - - - - - - - -	103
„ „	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	Navy Comrs	Asks whether the receipts and orders of the Generals to the victuallers have been received. Is shipping the iron in the Star of Yarmouth, and will send the bill of lading.	104
„ „	Robt. Sewell, *Chatham.*	„	Desires a supply of handspikes - - - - - - - - -	105
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Enclose a letter from Capt. Robt. Clarke, commander of the Bristol, in the Downs, of 25 Oct., asking for payment of his company's wages; they much want clothes and are discontented, hearing that the Phœnix has been paid; they have from 10 to 13 months' arrears due.	106, 107
„ „	„ - -	„	The Bryer and 4 others having been sent into the Thames by the Vice Admiral to be paid off, ask how many months' pay they are to receive, and whether they are to be refitted or laid up.	108
Oct.	Thos. Clarke -	—	Account for the carriage of masts, staves, &c. to the fleet and the stores. Total 1,106*l.* 14*s.* 5*d.* -	109
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Nov. 1	Charles Taylor, *Bristol.*	Navy Comrs	Particulars of the building of the frigate, which is much delayed for want of money - -	1
„ „	Comrs. for Prize Goods.	Adm. Com.	Have sold ships and goods value 70,000*l.*, but could not retain the proceeds, there being great sums continually charged upon them by the Council, which they could not forbear paying, so have only 12,100*l.* in hand, besides some ships and goods of value not yet condemned. As they have not kept this money, as ordered by the decrees of the Admiralty Court, desire security to free them from repayment, in case the Admiralty judges decree them to pay it back to the claimers, for which they are liable by law, both of the Admiralty and other courts.	2
„ „	Capt. Sam. Howett, *Speaker, Downs.*	„	Arrival and departure of ships - - - - - - - - -	3
„ „	Jonas Shish, *Walderswick.*	Navy Comrs	Has hewn timber for the second-rate ships building, and loaded 4 hoys with 120 loads of 4-inch plank, and 90 of 3 and 2 inch.	4
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	The provisions in preparation by Mr. Nowell and the Ordnance office, and the surplus bread from the victuallers will take up 1,200 tuns of stowage; as that will not be soon provided, desire an early order.	5
„ „	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Comrs	Asks whether the contract with Mr. Ingram when iron and coals were dear is yet in force, what they do with other smiths for great work, and the price of naval stores, that he may know how to act if opportunity presents. Generals Desborough and Penn, Lieut.-Col. Kelsey, and Capt. Hatsell have arrived and gone on board the Swiftsure; does not know their business.	6
„ „	——	—	Account of the stations of 40 ships named, appointed for the winter guard, and of 28 ordered in -	7, 8

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1654.				Vol. 90.
Nov. 2	Thos. Alderne, victualler, *Portsmouth.*	Col. Clerke, *Whitehall.*	Suggests the sale of several prizes named, laden with goods, lying at Portsmouth at great charge and damage; it seems strange they should remain as they are when money is wanted. Gen. Desborow has promised to remind the Admiralty Commissioners about the declaration for victualling the summer fleet.	9
" "	Navy Comrs. -	Adm.Com.	Send a letter from the navy victuallers at Tower Hill, that they are using all dispatch to furnish Gen. Penn's fleet with 5 months' new beef and 4 months' new pork, as also the rest of the fleet with 8 months' provisions, but have been delayed for want of shipping; have sent Mr. Alderne to Portsmouth to hasten away the ships there.	10, 11
" 3	Capt. Jere. Smith, *Hull.*	"	As they have given medals to several captains for services against the Dutch, and have one for him, desires it may be delivered to Capt. Jno. Northend.	12
" "	Capt. Jno. Bourne, *the Essex, Plymouth Sound.*	"	Has been cruising on his station, to annoy the enemy and secure trade, and having left the Advanture and Winsby there, has come in to revictual, and will then put to sea. Wants further orders. With particulars of other ships.	13
" "	Capt. Fras. Cranwill, *Liverpool.*	Navy Com^rs^	Cannot get either provisions or stores, and his men are crying out for money for clothes. The carpenters are at work; will use all speed to get to sea. Desires payment of a bill of 29*l.* 6*s.* 4½*d.* expended for supplies.	14
" "	" -	Adm. Com.	To similar effect - - - - - - - - - - -	15
" "	Navy Comrs. - -	"	Major Bourne's account for moneys received and issued for supply of the ships at Harwich has been well kept, and amounts to nearly 9,000*l.* Have allowed the instruments employed in the outports from 1 to 2 per cent., according to the nature of their work.	16
" 5	Vice-Adm. Jno. Lawson, *Fairfax, Downs.*	"	Account of the ships in the Downs belonging to the squadron appointed for this coast, and of those belonging to Gen. Penn's fleet.	17
" "	" "	"	The ships of Penn's fleet named yesterday have sailed for Portsmouth. Asks whether to detain the Jersey for a bowsprit, &c., or send her after the others. The Fagon is appointed to convoy some vessels for Seine Head.	18
" 6	Navy Comrs. - -	"	Have had the Gift and Paul surveyed, and if repaired and supplied with necessaries, they will be substantial vessels.	19
" "	Christ. Pett, *Woolwich.*	Navy Com^rs^	To like effect. The Crow is finished and has been waiting for her provisions 3 weeks; she wants men, which he will endeavour to furnish.	20
" "	Sol. Smith - -	Edw. Hopkins.	Begs assistance for his clerk in passing his accounts; he has spent much time and neglected his business about them.	21
" "	Edm. Smith, *Yarmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Has been sick, but will come up the first opportunity to clear his accounts for victuals received in Scotland.	22
" "	Capt. Thos. Elliot, *Fagons.*	Vice-Adm. Lawson.	Asks a master's warrant for Roger Yaxley, who served on board as such since 16 Sept.; also a surgeon's warrant for Hen. Julian, from 24 Aug., in place of Jno. Prudes, who was appointed 28 Aug., but did not come on board until 4 Nov.	23

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1654. Nov. 6	Chris. Armstrong -	—	Deposition that he has served 3 months in Col. Goffe's regiment, but that his ticket was made out by Capt. Hubbart to Oct. 1654, and that he received it of Roger Williams, who told him he was to receive his money thereupon.	Vol. 90. 24
" "	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Whitehall.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends a list of supplies made to ships at Plymouth about to be paid off - - - -	25
" "	Capt. Thos. Thompson, *Crow, Gravesend.*	Major Thomson, Navy Com^r^.	Received the order for his departure for Portsmouth, but will have to stay for men. Wants an anchor, cables, &c., also a press warrant.	26
" 7	Capt. John Sorman	—	Certificate that Nich. Mansfield has served well under him 15 months in the Dragon - -	27
" "	Capt. Thos. Sankey, *Adviser, Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	Came in for repairs, and if victualled, will be in a capacity for winter service. Has not heard of any shallop cruising upon the coast.	28
" "	Capt. Joseph Cubitt, *Plymouth.*	"	Thanks for his dismissal. Has had the frigate sheathed and tallowed, and when victualled, will deliver her to Capt. Bourne.	29
" "	Capt. Jno. Bourne, *the Essex, Plymouth Sound.*	"	Will remove into the Portsmouth as ordered, and when victualled and manned, proceed to his former station. Particulars of the Essex and other ships.	30
" "	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Islip, Liverpool.*	"	Landed Lord Pepys and his goods at Dublin, and then had order enclosed from the Lord Deputy to return to Liverpool; when cleaned and victualled, will observe their further orders. Sends examination of John Sheppard, midshipman, as to Hen. Purdoe, the boatswain, embezzling ropes, and selling them for 50*s.* and 14*s.*	31–33
" "	Capt. Robt. Clarke, *the Bristol, Downs.*	"	Arrival of ships. There are daily shipwrecks westward. Some merchantmen have been plundered by the French fleet in the Straits. A ship from New England reports that Major Suggeke has taken all the French forts in New England and manned them. The Centurion has no fish; the steward, being in London, may be called to account respecting it.	34
" "	Capt. Anth. Young, *Deptford.*	Gen. Penn.	Asks an order for payment of 3*l.* spent in transporting himself and servants from Tilbury Hope to the Downs, being ordered to leave the Andrew, and repair on board the Vanguard.	35
" "	Wm. Serjant, *Islip* -	Navy Com^rs^	Sailed from Liverpool to Dublin with Lord Pepys, and on returning, had orders to convoy some vessels to Scotland with provisions, and to complete his 5 months' victualling begun at Bristol. Has broken his cable, and his vessel is so crank-sided that she cannot bear sail when it blows without danger.	36
" "	Ordnance officers -	Adm. Com.	Ask an order to repair the platforms in and about the Tower, especially in the White Tower; there was a great fire this morning near the iron gate and the powder magazine; if it should occur again, there will be great danger of the platforms firing, as they are all much decayed.	37

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Nov. 7	Edw. Pateson, *Plymouth.*	Navy Com^rs	Transactions in paying seamen's tickets. Hopes not to be prejudiced by false accusations of extortion; never asked Wm. Worrell nor any of the others to take payment partly in money and clothes, nor is it his trade so to do. When he came from London with bills for 500*l.*, could not get them cashed under 40*s.* in the 100*l.*, but has since satisfied many of the men, and sent them to London, and many made purchases of clothes; has never received more than 2*s.* 6*d.* in the pound which is very little considering the long credit and great risks.	38
„ 8	Capt. Rich. Cowes, *Cat, Dublin.*	„	Has been plying between Milford and Greenore Bay by order of the Lord Deputy and Council of Ireland, to prevent the incursions of pirates, and has since received their order to ply off Ballycotton, for a Brest man-of-war seen near Youghall. Wants sails.	39
„ „	Capt. Jno. Seaman, *Dragon, Spithead.*	Adm. Com.	Chased a French ship from Synnago, near Barbary, with dry hides, for 6 hours before he came within shot, and has bought her into Spithead. Hears by a Dutchman that the St. Malo ships out of Spain do not come into the channel but the bay, and thence to Rochelle and Nantes.	40
„ „	Vice-Adm. Jno. Lawson, *Fairfax, Downs.*	„	Sends list of 9 ships in the Downs, with account of their provisions, and note of 4 that have sailed. The Convert is ordered to transport Lady Mayerne to Dunkirk, and to convoy home 3 or 4 laden ships there. Asks orders as to the Weymouth pink, unfit for further service.	41, 42
„ „	Capt. Jno. Taylor -	Navy Com^rs	Desires order to Mr. Mundy to purchase a parcel of plank to be sold in Suffolk, which is fit for the ships about to be built.	43
„ 9	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	„	Has shipped 59 tons of the iron in his own vessel, the Star of Yarmouth, and sends the bill of lading; the rest, being 5 tons, has long been with Thos. Gayfor, the smith, to make anchors; hopes to secure the iron or its worth. Offers his ship to carry provisions to the fleet, or for any other service, as she has good storage room.	44
„ „	Thos. Clarke. *Boston*	„	Is sorry their proceedings in procuring masts are open to censure, but having to send carpenters to the woods to hew them, and Edw. Gilmore breaking his covenant, the prices rose; however, bought 60 at 6*l.* 10*s.*, each of 24 inches, and advanced 20*s.* for all above 24 inches; has paid and engaged for great sums, and left the freightage to Capt. Crane and themselves. Has delivered all up to the gentleman appointed, and desires payment of a balance due of 37*l.* 2*s.*	45
„ „	Ordnance officers -	Robt. Blackborne	Wish the Admiralty Committee to appoint a convoy for the William of London, bound to Dover, Plymouth, and Pendennis, with 800 barrels of powder.	46
„ „	„ -	Adm. Com.	Send Thos. Bray, waterman of Greenwich, in custody to account for 4 barrels of powder seized in his boat by Wm. Brumage, custom house waiter and searcher for stolen goods.	47
„ „	Jno. Chilman, steward of the *Duchess.*	Comr. Hopkins.	Begs to pass his accounts and have payment of his wages. Was sick when the captain victualled the ship, and never had particulars, and the clerk of the check agrees to allow for what is wanting on the account. Has served the State 8 years, has a wife and child sick, 60 miles away; married his wife against the will of her father, who, believing he has received his pay, and is living in London in idleness, will have nothing to do with them, whereas he owes half his wages for lodging and living, and has not a penny.	48

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1654. Nov. 10	Thos. Burges -	—	Receipt for 24 barrels of decayed powder from Thos. Goulding, gunner of the Portsmouth, by order of Capt. Jno. Bourne, commander of the Essex.	Vol. 90. 49
„ „	Thos. Cross, *Limehouse.*	Adm.Com.	Petition for a master's place, having so served in the Gift under Capt. Dickinson. With certificate of Capt. Sam. Dickinson in his favour.	50, 51
„ „	Wm. Serjeant, check, and Jno. Stepney, carpenter, *Islip, Liverpool Road.*	„	Desire the ship may be brought in to be girdled, as she will not bear sail when upon a lee shore, and there is much danger of losing her in the North Channel.	52
„ „	Capt.Fras. Cranwill, *Hare, Liverpool.*	„	Will get what can be procured, and charge the expense on the Navy treasurer; wants payment of his men, who need clothes, and an order to Commissary-Gen. Fowler to supply canvas, powder, and shot, out of some of the garrisons.	53
„ „	„ „	Navy Com^rs^	To the same effect - - - - - - - - - - -	54
„ „	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Liverpool.*	Adm. Com	Has washed and tallowed, and is getting ready to receive the provisions; his men are procuring their clothes. Will advise the treasurers' agent, so that the money may be in readiness for transportation.	55
„ „	Navy Comrs. - -	„	As to the petition of the shipmasters to his Highness, for extra allowance for building ships larger than the dimensions contracted for, cannot recommend any greater allowance than mentioned in their certificate of 10 May last, from which Messrs. Starling and Castle, who built the Jersey and Dover, ought to be excluded, for non-performance of covenants.	56
„ „	Rich. Browne, *Pembroke.*	„	Delivered their letter to Capt. Bowen, but returns that to Capt. Ledgant, as he had sailed. Mr. White still keeps the packet boat, but it is uncertain conveyance to the fleet upon the Irish coast, as the ships are mostly dispersed.	57
„ „	Capt. Thos. Sparling, *Assistance, Greenhithe.*	Navy Com^rs^	Asks an order to the victuallers to send his provisions after him, as he has orders to go to sea -	58
„ „	Capt. Pet. Bowen, *Mayflower,* 8 *leagues off the Smalle.*	Adm. Com.	Plying on his station, met 5 merchant ships bound up the Severn, and as there were some Brest men-of-war about, convoyed them to Lundy, and gave notice to the Lizard and Nicodemus at Crooks Haven. Received their order for Capt. Penrose, who is fitting at Kinsale, where the Greyhound has just been, and gone for Dublin.	59
„ „	Capt. John Bourne, *the Essex, Plymouth.*	„	Thanks for his removal into the Portsmouth; will put to sea with all expedition - -	60
„ 11	„ „	Thos. Burges, gunner of the *Essex.*	Order to deliver 40 barrels of powder to the gunner of the Portsmouth, and receive back all found defective, as the Essex is commanded in.	61

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1654.				Vol. 90.
Nov. 11	Capt. Robt. Clarke, *the Bristol, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	Is sorry if his letter asking payment of his company's wages gave offence, as they were in a destitute condition; asks what number of men he is to carry, having, with 20 soldiers, only 170 on board, whereas he was formerly allowed 250.	62
„ „	Capt. Fras. Kirby, *Bear, Stokes Bay.*	—	Muster book from 29 March to 6 Nov. 1654 - - - - - - - -	63
„ 12	Capt. Jno. Symonds	Navy Com^rs^	While in the Downs, came in collision with the Providence, and damaged her head, bowsprit, &c. The wind being S.E. by S., the fleet is under sail.	64
„ 13	Lieut. Je. Country, *the Essex, Spithead*	Adm. Com.	Has come from Plymouth by direction of Capt. Jno. Bourne, the commander, and desires orders.	65
„ „	Lewis Ayres, check of *the Dover, Spithead.*	Navy Com^rs^	Could not send up the pay books; the captain being in London, has not placed any of the officers, and the master declines to rate the men's wages.	66
„ „	Thos. White, *Dover*	„	The Orange Tree, not being fit for service, has been ordered in by Vice-Admiral Howett. Has removed all out of her into the stores, and given the master an inventory.	67
„ „	Vice-Adm. Jno. Lawson, *Fairfax, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	Sends certificate of a survey of the Jersey's masts. Also a letter from Capt. Robt. Clarke of the Bristol. [*See* 25 Oct. 1654.] Has sent the Weymouth to Deptford, the Entrance to Chatham, and the Welcome to Woolwich, and asks where the Speaker and Fagon are to be victualled.	68–70
„ 14	Capt. Jno. Bourne, *the Portsmouth, Catwater.*	„	Thanks for this appointment to the Portsmouth, which is being fitted for sea. Has sent the Essex to Portsmouth for repairs, and ordered the lieutenant to report his arrival.	71
„ „	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs^	Will order a survey of all the ships at Chatham, and send it up, and see to their repair. They are continuing to make new cordage, but want 20 lasts of tar, and Mr. Sewell wants canvas.	72
„ „	„ „	„	Recommends Mr. Jempson, carver, having known him 20 years, to succeed Jno. Christmas lately dead, as carver for Deptford and Woolwich, and to finish the carving on board the Naseby at Woolwich.	73
„ „	Thos. Scott and Manlie Callis.	„	Recommend Jno. Leadman to succeed Jno. Christmas, late master carver at Deptford and Woolwich.	74
„ „	Navy Comrs.	Adm. Com.	Send a duplicate of the contract made with the navy victuallers - - - - -	75
„ „	Capt. Jno. Sherwin, *Primrose, Liverpool.*	„	Has always accounted necessity the highest law, it being of a compelling nature, nevertheless is forced to stop his mouth and pen. Could have killed two birds with one stone, in performing the service with the treasure to Dublin in his way homeward, and this would not have obstructed the present expedition for Inverlochy, the Islip being in as good an equipage to sail as the convoys. The victuallers gave no orders to their deputy to supply him with provisions; has procured sufficient to serve until he reaches Chatham, when he hopes the condition of his ship and men will have consideration.	76

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1654.				Vol. 90.
Nov. 15	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Ask order to the Commissioners of Customs to clear the Mary of Gottenburg, laden with masts and deals for the stores at Portsmouth.	77
" "	Jas Wilson, *Cadiz* -	"	Sends a letter from the General who has sailed for Gibraltar. The Princess Maria and other ships have come in, the former with a French fire ship, which she took in sight of the French fleet of 7 men-of-war, who took the Dolphin but let her go again. Has ordered these ships to follow the General to the Straits' mouth.	78
" "	Thos. Scott and Manlie Callis, *Deptford.*	Navy Com^rs^	Particulars of 11 ships named at Deptford. The Fox, Old Warwick and Old President should be sold, as not fit to be repaired.	79
" "	Capt. Thos. Sparling, *Assistance, Hope.*	"	Waits for provisions and a surgeon's chest. Asks whether it is true that the surgeon is absent for want of his imprest and other money, as there are sick men on board. 50 of his men left the ship while he was in London to receive the officers' money, and as very few have returned, desires a press warrant.	80
" 16	" "	Adm. Com.	After leaving Woolwich, the paymaster came to pay them in Long Reach, but was 400*l.* short; went with him to London for it, and being delayed, found on his return to the ship that 50 of his men had left, and that neither the surgeon, his mate, nor his chest had arrived; as this has caused much discontent, is constrained to write for another surgeon. Will make all haste to the Downs.	81
" "	Capt. Giles Shelley, *the Colchester, Yarmouth Roads.*	"	Has had much bad weather since leaving Harwich, and dares not venture the boat to shore, or the men either, as they are giving 40*s.* and upwards per month in the merchant service, which entices even the volunteers with a loss of 5 or 6 months' pay.	82
" "	Rich. Browne -	—	Account of 28 days' provisions delivered to Capt. Peter Bowen of the Mayflower, value 53*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.*	83
" "	Vice-Adm. Jno. Lawson, *Fairfax, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	Has ordered the Speaker to Chatham, and will send the Guinea there when she arrives. Desires orders as to the Jersey. Provisions are so scarce that he has been compelled to take some out of the Bristol to supply the Speaker and Entrance.	84
" "	Christ. Pett, *Woolwich.*	Navy Com^rs^	Has surveyed ships named, and desires orders as to their repair; also a boatswain for the Sparrow.	85
" "	Capt. Fras. Cranwill	R. Hutchinson, Navy Treasurer.	Being ordered to furnish himself with provisions or money, has taken up 100*l.* of Commissary Thos. Fowler on a bill which he hopes will be met, so that his credit may stand good for carpenter's or other stores.	86
" "	John Morris, *Gravesend.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends muster books. Note of ships in the Hope - - - - - -	87
" 17	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Are providing tonnage for the provisions for Barbadoes, and as some of the ships are ready to receive goods, desire orders to ship them, and for the Custom house officers not to hinder the lading, being under a contract for their speedy dispatch.	88

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1654. Nov. 17	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Liverpool.*	Adm. Com.	Is taking in provisions, and expects the treasurer, who is at Chester, on board with the money for Dublin to night, when he will sail.	Vol. 90. 89
" "	Capt. Fras. Cranwell, *Hare pink, Liverpool.*	Navy Com^rs	Will apply to Mr. Walley as directed for necessaries, and for 4 months' imprest, and endeavour to get the things at Liverpool and Chester, although at dear rates, and charge all on the Navy treasurer.	90
" "	" "	Adm. Com.	To the same effect - - - - - - - - - - -	91
" "	Wm. Serjeant, *Islip, Liverpool Road.*	Navy Com^rs	Is victualling for 4 months, and to day will take in the 40,000*l.* for Dublin, and be ready to sail in a few days. As the surgeon is dead, his mate should succeed. Asks orders as to the surgeon's chest; would have sold it to the mate for the benefit of the children, but he declined to buy, not knowing whether it did not belong to the ship.	92
" "	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Adm. Com.	The President and Nightingale are in the Hope, and might have been in the Downs if victuals could be procured at Chatham. Is refitting the ships for the winter guard; sends particulars, and an account of cordage, anchors, and sails needed for 9 ships named.	93, 94
" "	" "	Navy Com^rs	Sends a demand by E. Hayward for cordage, and a note as to the fitting out of 11 ships of Gen. Penn's fleet at Chatham. Also a survey by Phineas Pett and one Johnson of 9 ships named. Has quickened all sorts of instruments to a diligent attendnce, and if he has a timely supply, hopes to answer expectations. Sends a certificate to Robt. Sewell and J. Tihurst, that there is 12 cwt. of broken biscuit and sweepings at the storehouse at Chatham, received out of ships, which is only fit for cattle, Desires order as to its disposal.	95–99
" 18	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Portsmouth.*	Col. Jno. Clerke, *Adm. Chamber.*	General Desborow has come in, as also ships named. The yards are paid, and the Swiftsure's books gone through. When orders are sent to the captains, notice should be also sent to the Commissioner, to quicken them if not observed.	100
" 19	Vice-Adm. Jno. Lawson, *Fairfax, Downs.*	Robt. Blackborne	Thanks for the news, and begs him to forward enclosures - - - - -	101
" "	" "	Adm. Com.	Has ordered the Jersey to Portsmouth. The Phœnix has gone as a convoy to Plymouth, the Fagon to convoy vessels for Seine Head and the Yarmouth for Dunkirk, so here are only his ship and the Bristol in the Downs.	102
" 20	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs	Has apprehended 4 soldiers for making 3 false tickets, amounting to 33*l.*, and after examination, committed them to Upnor Castle, as they have probably made a trade of it, and can make some large discoveries. Asks an order by return, as he will leave for Woolwich and London to-morrow. Mr. Aldridge is also coming up, on his way to the Forest of Dean.	103
" "	Wm. Serjant, *Liverpool Road.*	"	Has received the 40,000*l.* on board for Ireland, as also the Treasurer, and will use all expedition to sail. Obtained only sufficient provisions for the men till his return.	104

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1654.				Vol. 90.
Nov. 20	Col. Jno. Bingham -	Adm. Com.	Begs reference of the petition of, and payment of the arrears due to Mr. Phillips, late surgeon of the Joshua, who was in the engagement with the Dutch, and attended to 200 supernumeraries, besides many of the Dutch sick and wounded.	105
„ „	Capt. Giles Shelley, *the Colchester, Yarmouth.*	„	Arrived last Monday. Has the sinews of war, the money, on board, but the North-west winds prevent progress. Some vessels for Hull have been waiting 3 weeks.	106
„ 21	Navy Comrs. -	„	The officers at the post house refused to receive their letters directed to Portsmouth and other places, on the State's service, without payment, and flung them out at the door after the messenger into the dirt. Conceive such letters are free, and desire order either for their acceptance or for payment of carriage.	107
„ „	Manlie Callis and 3 others.	Navy Comrs	Surveyed the boats in the mast dock at Deptford; 10 are not worth repairing and 2 are worth 30*s.* each, two 20*s.*, two 10*s.*, and 4 old skiffs 6*s.* 8*d.* each.	108
„ „	Thos. Shewell, *Bristol.*	—	Has drawn a bill of exchange on Mr. Hutchinson for 400*l.*, towards fitting out the Nantwich, building by Mr. Bayley, and desires it may be paid.	109
„ „	Capt. Thos. Penrose, *Nonsuch, Milford Haven.*	Adm. Com.	Tallowed and victualled at Kinsale for 3 months, and then convoyed some vessels from there and Cork, as 2 or 3 have lately been captured by pickeroons. Plied about Lundy, but was blown out of the Channel, and lost some of his sails; went back to Kinsale, where he received their order, and sailed for Milford, having only 5 weeks' victuals on board, Has received their second order, and will make all haste to Portsmouth.	110
„ 22	Wm. Markham -	Navy Comrs	Having had notice from the Crow of the receipt of 13 magazine surgery chests, the apothecaries may be discharged.	111
„ „	Rich. Harrison, *Wisbeach.*	Adm. Com.	In 1648, Capt. Rich. Harrison, of Wisbeach, procured an order of both Houses of Parliament for 20 barrels of powder and match and bullet, which was sent to Wisbeach and delivered to Mich. Morfell, who has most of it still in possession. He is a dangerous man, and caused great fear when the Norfolk plot was in hand, being a companion of the contrivers, and of a very mischievous temper. There are also 2 great guns in Wisbeach Castle which might be useful elsewhere.	112
„ „	Capt. Jno. Taylor and 2 others.	Navy Comrs	Recommend Wm. Addly as master carver at Deptford, in the room of Mr. Christmas deceased -	113
„ „	Thos. Pointer -	„	Asks a recommendation to the Admiralty Committee for employment. The new frigate is and will be void, as the gentleman appointed is going as Judge Advocate with Gen. Penn, but there are now 2 or 3 after it. Cannot subsist without employment; were he borne upon the Sovereign in harbour for half-pay, it would be some comfort, but it is otherwise.	114
„ „	Capt. Joseph Cubitt, *Plymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Has had the Portsmouth well fitted, got her into the Sound, and delivered her to Capt. Bourne; hopes she will continue an honour to the nation.	115

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1654.				Vol. 90.
Nov. 22	Capt. Jno. Bourne, *the Portsmouth, Plymouth Sound.*	Adm. Com.	Has taken charge of the Portsmouth from Capt. Cubitt, is getting in the stores and fitting her, and will use all expedition to get to his former station, so as to secure trade and annoy the enemy. Will dispose of the other ships under his command as ordered. The Preston has come in for the Eastern guard.	116
„ „	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Asks when the clerks of the check of Gen. Penn's fleet are to begin their checking, and what preparation is being made for traces and halters for horses, as also hammocks.	117
„ 23	Capt. Robt. Vessey	Col. Kelsey, *Whitehall.*	Recommends his carpenter, an honest and able man, for employment in the Assurance, or in any other ship.	118
„ „	Capt. Ja. Terry, *the Jersey, Portland Road.*	Adm. Com.	Sailing from Portsmouth for the Downs, by order of the Vice-Admiral, lost his main and maintopmast, and most of his sails in a storm, and had 3 men carried overboard, one of whom was lost; has come in to fit himself to return to Portsmouth.	119
„ „	Capt. Philip Gethings, *the Preston, Plymouth.*	„	Has been forced in by the storm, and they hardly saved their lives and the ship; other vessels have come in, one of which lost her mainmast off the Isle of Wight. Has the smallpox on board, and 22 men sick, but will get back to his station as soon as possible.	120
„ „	Thos. Rabenett and 3 others, *Chatham.*	„	Certificate in favour of Wm. Ashley as a boatswain, he having so served in the Encrease, Tenth Whelp, and Constant Warwick.	121
„ „	Edw. Stourton, *Heartsease, Stokes Bay.*	Mr. Turner.	Sends the muster books, delayed because sent to the office at Portsmouth, by order of his commander.	122
„ „	Geo. Harrison -	Robt. Blackborne.	Sends an open letter, by direction of Col. Clarke, and desires it may be produced on his behalf, with any others from Admiral Stokes, when the competition for the pursership of the Lyme takes place.	123
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Had a survey made of the vessels in harbour at Portsmouth, Chatham, Woolwich, and Deptford, and received returns from the three latter; many ships and boats are useless; desire order for their sale.	124
„ „	„ - -	„	The charge of bringing timber from Dean Forest for the stores at Chatham, Woolwich, and Deptford, and of its conversion, will amount to 3*l.* 5*s.* per load, but it will be worth from 4*l.* 10*s.* to 5*l.* here; think the experiment should be made this spring [tide] with 400 or 500 loads.	125
„ „	Math. Browne, *Wren, Milford.*	„	Spent the victuals he took in at London on his station, and has revictualled at Kinsale. Has been convoying vessels from Dublin to Scotland and thence to the Channel, by order of the Lord Deputy and Council of Ireland, and of Col. Brayne in Scotland; returning to Dublin, was sent as convoy to the Lands' End, but has been forced in by contrary winds and foul weather.	126
„ 24	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Liverpool.*	„	Received the 40,000*l.* for Dublin, and waits a wind. The weather has been so turbulent, with much snow, that he could not depart without danger.	127

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1654.				Vol. 90.
Nov. 24	Christ. Harker, *Winsby, Catwater, near Plymouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends receipt of Thos. Chellingworth, steward of the Essex, for 5 tuns of beer supplied by order of her late commander, Capt. Bourne; also certificate by Capt. Joseph Ames and others, of a survey made on board the Winsby, of some bad fish, which was ordered to be thrown overboard. Much beer has been lost by leakage.	128
" "	Robt. Moulton, and 12 other officers of *Chatham Yard.*	Adm. Com.	Certificate for Rich. Corke as a steward, he having lived with Mr. Hayward, clerk of the Survey, 8 years; he was 6 years purser of the Nonsuch, and forced to leave through sickness.	129
" "	Nich. Read, *Stoke Hall, near Ipswich.*	"	As to his complaint against Capt. Taylor, then gunner of the Sovereign, did not exhibit more than he delivered to Gen. Blake, under whose command he, Reade, then was; has not heard anything more of the matter. There were some failings not to be excused, and that in the view of all the fleet, that the Flemish guns could reach us, and ours not them.	130
" "	Capt. Jno. Bourne, *the Portsmouth, Plymouth.*	"	Endeavoured to get to sea, but was forced back by contrary winds. The Pelican, Adventure, and Winsby have come in to repair and victual, and when completed, will return to their station, they being of his squadron.	131
" 25	Saml. Whittell, *Custom House.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Request for the Admiralty Committee to order the Navy Commissioners to sell the bearer an old condemned prize lying at Falmouth, at the appraised value.	132
" "	Capt. Robt. Saunders, *Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	Recommends as master of the Assurance Robt. Hutchinson, who served under him 22 months, and is recommended by Gen. Wm. Penn. Noted for a commission.	133
" "	Robt. Midford, boatswain, *Woolwich Yard.*	Navy Com^rs^	When Capt. Sparling sailed from Woolwich to the Hope, lent him a long boat, as the new one was not ready; this he sent up by his boatswain's mate, but the mate obtained the new boat, without returning the old one, upon pretence that it had gone up to Deptford with some returned stores. Sent to Capt. Sparling to inquire into it, and encloses his reply, that he had examined Wm. Rickson and Jno. James, and found the boat had been lost; that Thos. Griffin, who moored it, had 3 months' pay due to him, and he should make it good; also that he lodged at the Red Lion in Shadwell.	134
" "	Edm. Harvey, *Custom House, London.*	"	Will obey a letter enclosed from the Admiralty Committee of 23 Nov., to give order that the Recovery and William, taken up to carry ordnance to Barbadoes for Gen. Penn's squadron, may be laden and cleared without molestation.	135, 136
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	"	The surgeons of Gen. Penn's squadron from the Thames come to him for supplies to recruit their chests; cannot give them until he knows to what time each had a supply. Is ignorant of the agreement with Mr. Gould about his ship, the Jeremy of London, but they were 14 days unloading the masts she brought, although there were a dozen labourers, and no obstruction. Has paid off 7 of Gen. Penn's fleet, and had done more if weather had permitted, but the multitude of tickets took much time.	137

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1654. Nov. 25	Ordnance officers -	Robt. Blackborne.	Desire a convoy for the Elizabeth of Hull, with 500 barrels of gunpowder for Hull; also a reply to a letter enclosed from Thos. Shewell at Bristol, 21 Nov., stating that the Nantwich, building by Mr. Bayley, is nearly ready to launch, and asking whether any carriages are to be made.	Vol. 90. 138, 139
" "	Thos. Harrison, *Upnor Castle.*	"	Is ordered by Commissioner Pett to secure 4 soldiers in the garrison for counterfeiting tickets, and send them up to the Admiralty Commissioners. Desires he will hasten the guard back.	140
" "	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	"	Asks an order for the messenger to secure the 4 soldiers on their arrival, until he comes to town on Tuesday.	141
" 26	Capt. Robt. Clarke, *the Bristol, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	Being entrusted with the command while Vice-Adm. Lawson is in London, will endeavour to answer expectation. The Centurion has come in, and 2 Holland men-of-war; they have been in much danger by the storms. Most of the ships in the Downs require victualling.	142
" "	Capt. Lambert Cornelius, *Hopewell, Portsmouth.*	"	Arrived from Jersey with Col. Gibbons, the governor there, on the 24th; has since been ordered by the Generals to refit, and hopes to be ready for sea next week.	143
" 27	Capt. Hen. Hatsell, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com[rs]	Has seen their letter to Gen. Desborough about sending the hammocks by land; the General has written to expedite the sending of 150 hogsheads of water, and Capt. Alderne has ordered the casks and vessels to be ready to attend further orders.	144
" "	Thos. White, *Dover*	"	The Seahorse has come in much damaged. Asks orders for repairs - - - -	145
" "	Edw. Man, *Newcastle.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Recommends Isaac, son of Wm. Astell, for employment in the Custom House - - -	146
" "	Col. And. Carter -	Adm. Com.	Asks them to call for the petition of Mr. Phillips, surgeon of the Joshua, for his arrears of pay, and settlement of his account for attending on the sick and wounded after the engagements with the Dutch, and to order payment, or a reference to the Navy Commissioners.	147
" "	Capt. Giles Shelley, *the Colchester, Leith Road.*	"	While weighing in a storm in Yarmouth Roads, broke his cable and lost his small bower, and his ship casting shoreward, was in great danger. Had but one fair day there, it being most bitter, terrible, dismal weather.	148
" 28	Navy Comrs. -	"	Desire order as to the disposal of the Orange Tree, come into Dover from the fleet, and reported unfit for service.	149
" "	Ordnance officers -	"	Mr. Isaacson will not let the storehouse at Chatham for keeping provisions. He wants 350*l.* for it, with a remission of 90*l.* due for rent to the State; as it is a rare opportunity, and will be of great advantage, desire their speedy decision.	150
" "	Christ. Pett, *Woolwich.*	Navy Com[rs]	The Speaker having come in very defective, asks whether she is to be docked - -	151
" "	Wm. Serjant, clerk of the check, *Islip, Liverpool.*	"	Since coming from Scotland, has taken in 4 months' victuals, and the captain has received 14*l.* 10*s.* to buy the rest of the beer; waits a wind to sail. [Jas.] Standish, the treasurer who came with the 40,000*l.*, is still on board, and is very desirous to be gone; on arriving at Dublin, he will wait upon Lord Fleetwood. Having again broken a cable, as none can be had at Liverpool, the ship will be in some danger, should they come upon a lee shore in a storm.	152

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1654.				Vol. 90.
Nov. 28	Capt. Giles Shelley, *Leith.*	Adm. Com.	Got the money safe on shore, but has broken his anchor and cables, and those supplied by Major Burton at Yarmouth were not worth much; if they expect any service from him upon the coast, they must send some more.	153
„ „	Capt. Nich. Foster, *Phœnix, Downs.*	„	Convoyed the James of London with provisions for Plymouth, but lost her in a storm, and having 5 feet of water in the hold, could not keep under sail, and was forced into the Isle of Wight, where he received orders from the Generals to hasten to the Downs, and inquire concerning his convoy, but could not hear anything of her. His powder and provisions are much damaged by wet; there is a great quantity of wreck floating between the Downs and the Isle of Wight.	154
„ 29	Navy Comrs. -	„	Have considered the petition of Hester Kelsby, concerning the wages of Mark Dunkin and Martin Utter, of the Nicodemus, and conferred with Capt. Ledgant, who certifies they were not runaways, but were committed to Capt. Young as mutineers, which is as bad; if payment is ordered of these, and especially for an alehouse score, it will bring the clamour of all delinquents upon them.	155
„ „	„ - -	„	Mr. White, of Dover, advises the arrival of the Sea Horse from Vice-Admiral Lawson, having lost her anchor, cables, and sails, and been much damaged in a storm; desires orders respecting her.	156
„ „	E. Hayward and Robt. Sewell, *Chatham Dock.*	Navy Com^rs^	Account of old stores purchased by Mr. Gould - - - - - -	157
„ 30	Capt. Jno. Bourne, *the Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	The Guinea and Sapphire have joined him on his station. Has sent the Nonsuch to Portsmouth with a ship richly laden from Leghorn, and with letters from Gen. Blake's fleet, off the Southern Cape, and in good condition.	158
„ „	Christ. Pett and 3 others, *Woolwich.*	Navy Com^rs^	Ask an order to entertain 20 men, as occasion may require, on board wages, in fitting out the ships at Woolwich.	159
„ „	Capt. Rich. Cowes, *Cat, Dublin.*	Adm. Com.	Has been plying on his station, but has not seen any of the enemy; has come in for new sails, being in danger in every storm. [*Damaged.*]	160
„ „	Capt. Jno. Taylor, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs^	There is a great charge for men, and little done for want of all sorts of materials, and particularly timber; although they have a good purveyor for it, he cannot satisfy the demand; Commissioner Pett having ordered another to look after some at Yarmouth, Arundel, and Walderswick, has appointed Ashley Bricklife, shipwright. Desires order to Mr. Shish at Deptford to supply what he can, as also a warrant and some money to the bearer to obtain what is needed; otherwise must discharge some of the men, and stop the repair and building of the ships.	161
Nov.	——	—	Account of the stations of 40 ships appointed for the winter guard, and of 28 ordered in, and of the number of men to be borne on 44 ships.	162, 163
„	Gen. Penn - -	—	Request to know what brandy, masts, and cables, and other stores have been supplied from Deptford, Chatham, and Woolwich for his squadron; with returns thereon from Woolwich by Wm. Acworth, 15 Nov., Rob. Thomson, 15 Nov., John Davies, Deptford, 17 Nov. and another.	164–168

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1054. Nov?	Hen. Pardo -	Adm. Com.	Desires leave of absence, to attend them to disprove aspersions made against him as boatswain of the Islip under Capt. Edw. Tarleton.	Vol. 90. 169
"	Saml. Haggar	"	Petition for relief. Has served the State several years, and lost his leg by a shot when in the Worcester, at the engagement with the Dutch in July 1653. Has just been discharged from Bartholomew's Hospital with a yearly pension of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, and sends certificate. [*Damaged.*]	170, 171
"	———	—	Note of the amount due to the owners of the Harry Bonadventure for freight, &c. - -	172
"	Captains of vessels -	Storekeeper at Kinsale.	Receipts for sundry stores for vessels, June to Nov. 1654 - - - - - - -	173–177
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Dec. 1	Navy Comrs.	Adm. Com.	Account of the Swiftsure's squadron. The Recovery and other ships are taking in provisions; will hasten them away, as also the water ordered; one of their number has been daily down the river for that purpose.	1
" 2	Capt. Fras. Cranwell, *Liverpool.*	Navy Com^rs^	The weather has been bad, but hopes to float next spring tide. Received 200*l.* from Mr. Walley for wages, and 100*l.* towards fitting the Pink, but wants 200*l.* more to finish her, everything being so dear. Asks orders.	2
" "	" "	Adm. Com.	To similar effect - - - - - - - - - - - -	3
" "	Cuthbert Bembridge, boatswain, *Paradox.*	"	Petition for removal to the Constant Warwick. With certificates of Capts. Roger Jones and William Ledgant, and letter of Capt. Ant. Young in his favour.	4–6
" "	Capt. Rich. Ducie, *Nicodemus, Kinsale.*	"	Had orders from General Fleetwood to ply westward, there being no other ship there. Met some Brest men-of-war upon the coast taking in water, but they did no harm. Having lost an anchor and cable, wants others, as it will be dangerous on those seas without.	7
" "	Comr. Peter Pett, *Woolwich.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends instructions for Mr. Aldridge respecting timber in Dean Forest. They should begin with caution and satisfy themselves as to its cheapness and fitness for the service, and 2 or 3 others ought to be sent with him to methodise the business. Capt. Taylor has sent up Mr. Brickley about some; as Mr. Mapleson's hands are full, Brickley might go with Mr. Shish to look at that at Reading.	8
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	"	Sends account by Jas. Carter of ships which are to receive 25 tuns of vinegar, but as only 15 tuns have arrived, desires an account. Gen. Desborow thinks the sawyers may be spared, expecting to find soldiers able to attend that work, provided they have tools supplied; cannot survey the ships until the fleet is gone. The glazier removed from the Discovery into the Swiftsure; demands payment of his ticket; the clerk of the Gillyflower wants his necessary money, but Major Manley says he has received it; the case should be investigated, so that his knavery or honesty may appear.	9, 10
" 3	Capt. Fras. Parke -	Adm. Com.	Is told that if the muster books had been sent up, they would have been paid; the clerk of the check says they were given; sent him up to the Treasurer's office to see what hindered, and lest he should neglect his duty, has now sent up the lieutenant.	11

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1654. Dec. 4	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham*	Navy Com^rs^	The Tiger has come in; will send her men to Deptford for their money. The Centurion is expected, and the Reserve being victualled will sail to-morrow.	Vol. 90. 12
" "	" "	Robt. Blackborne.	Wants orders for paying the wages of the Tiger's men, and for turning the Elizabeth's company into other ships. As the victuallers have not sent down the Reserve's provisions, has ordered her to sail for the Hope.	13
" "	Capt. Alex. Farly, *Basing, Tynemouth Haven.*	Adm. Com.	Has been delayed by the weather, which has been so bad that provision boats could not pass up and down the river, and the beef and pork not being sweet, had to wait for fresh.	14
" "	Navy Comrs. -	"	One of their number has been daily down the river to quicken the ships loading for Barbadoes, and all hands are doing their utmost, but every ship in the river is not ready at a day's warning to entertain such employment, and the weather has much hindered. 120 tuns of water will be shipped to-day, and the rest speedily. One of the great guns sunk has been recovered, and the other found, and when recovered, both will be shipped.	15
" "	St. J. Steventon, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends some bills and a letter as ordered - - - - - - - -	16
" "	Capt. Robt. Clarke, *the Bristol, Downs.*	Adm. Com.	The Tiger and others have sailed for Chatham and Harwich, so that there are only his ship, and the Phœnix and Fairfax now in the Downs. A ship from Holland bound for the East Indies beat over the Goodwin, and had not his boat and a dogger gone up, they would have run her on shore. Capt. Morcock of the Dover has arrived in a dogger from Portsmouth, with such materials as he had, and has now gone to Chatham, his goods being put on board the Centurion.	17
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Asks instructions as to purchasing leather hose for ships, and what ships were supplied with rosin, oil, and brimstone, as many demand them.	18
" "	Capt. Joseph Ames, *Winsby, Cat water, Plymouth.*	Adm. Com.	Jno. Rievely, his master, long absent, has now deserted; wants another. The Pelican and Adventure are gone to sea; would have followed, but 20 of his company were suddenly taken with strange fits, like convulsions or calenture, which has discouraged many of the others from coming on board, fearing it to be infectious.	19
" "	Wm. Billers, *Ordnance Office.*	—	Note of muskets, pistols, &c. supplied to the William - - - - - -	20
" "	Major Wm. Burton, *Yarmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	The Colchester nearly came on shore while riding in the storm, but is sailing for Scotland. Has expended 2*l.* 5*s.* in recovering her anchor, part of the cable, &c.	21
" 5	Wm. Holmes, *the Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	Asks the reading of his petition for his wages as boatswain's mate of the Portsmouth, and leave to clear himself of the matters laid to his charge, and receive his due.	22
" "	" "	Robt. Blackborne.	To like effect - - - - - - - - - - - -	23
" "	Christ. Pett, *Woolwich.*	Navy Com^rs^	Complains of the great want of a master attendant, as the yard is in a condition of doing more service by the adding of another dock; much loss is occasioned by taking off the boatswain to other duties.	24

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1654.				Vol. 91.
Dec. 5	Capt. Robt. Clarke, *the Bristol.*	Adm. Com.	The Levant from the Straits reports that he saw Gen. Blake's fleet there, and that on arriving at Malaga, a vessel which Capt. Badiley had taken came in, with advices to the English merchants that the French fleet of 22 sail and 10 or 12 galleys lay off Naples.	25
„ „	Capt. Jno. Gefferye, *Nightingale, Lee Road.*	Robt. Blackborne.	The treasurer having been on board and paid the men, sailed to the Lee Road; is waiting for sails from Chatham. Judge Advocate Fowler is on board, bound for the Downs.	26
„ „	Capt. Fras. Cranwell, *Chester.*	Rich. Hutchinson, Navy Treasurer.	On order of the Admiralty Committee, took up 100*l.* at Chester, 200*l.* more for 4 months' pay for his men, and to procure provisions, on 4 bills, and as Chas. Walley endorsed them, desires they may be punctually met. Could not proceed with the work on the ship this week owing to the weather. With note by Chas. Walley to the treasurer, that he marvels he should scruple at accepting the bill, it being part of the 200*l.* taken up by order of the Navy Commissioners, and payment promised, the denial of which will reflect upon him, and his readiness to serve the Commissioners deserved better respect. Col. Clarke also wonders what reason he has to deny it.	27
„ 6	Geo. Barlow - -	Col. Clerke	Begs the place of lieutenant on the Ruby, Bridgwater, or Diamond. With certificate by John White and 2 others of his good conduct as clerk of the check of the Mathias. 5 Dec. 1654.	28, 29
„ „	Geo. Payler, *Whitehall.*	Adm. Com.	The Navy Commissioners have shipped 110 tons of biscuit, and the rest will be soon dispatched. Three hoys have been freighted with water, and 2 more will be sent away to-morrow, which will complete the 200 tuns.	30
„ „	Capt. Robt. Drew, *Plover, Tynemouth Haven.*	„	Having broken his boat, spent the maintopmast, &c., was forced into Holy Island by stress of weather. Will endeavour to recruit, and renew defective provisions, and then perform his charge.	31
„ „	Rich. Browne, *Pembroke.*	„	Capt. Penrose, of the Nonsuch, has sailed towards the Land's End; but as the easterly wind may force him into Kinsale, will keep their letter to him until he hears further. There is no man of-war at Portsmouth, the Greyhound having sailed with Major Wallas.	32
„ „	Jas. Reynolds, *Dover*	Adm. Com.	Sends letters from Gen. Blake and others. Is bound for Dunkirk, where he will unload, and then return to Cadiz. Conceives that since the General's departure from Cadiz, the French ships have got into the Straits, save the fire-ship which was taken before he left Cadiz.	33
„ „	Rich. Hill - -	„	Petition for the boatswain's place in the Sparrow, having so served 4 years; is now in the Adviser. With certificate by Capt. Thos. Sankey and 2 others in his favour, and certificate by Geo. Kendall that the boatswain of the Sparrow, fitting at Woolwich, has deserted.	34–36
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	„	Recommend Capt. Wm. Badiley as master attendant at Woolwich. Hoped that in times of less action that charge might be spared, but find the service much suffers from want of one, there being now two docks there.	37
„ „	„ -	„	Would have sent one of their Commissioners down the river to dispatch the Crow, but she had only 25 men, and if a Commissioner were present, the captain would have wanted a press warrant, though they are so accustomed to press without; thought best to send a messenger to hasten her. Nevertheless, if their presence may do anything, will go.	38

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1654.				Vol. 91.
Dec. 6	Capt. Jno. Geffery, *Nightingale, Lee Road.*	Adm. Com.	Recommends Wm. Center as cook, in place of Meredith Price, against whom there are great complaints. With 2 certificates of the officers that Price is much given to drink, swearing, and railing, and his unhandsome manner of ordering meat has much disturbed and prejudiced the ship.	39–41
„ „	Wm. Serjant, clerk of the check, *Islip, Dublin Bay.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sailed from Liverpool on the 1st with Mr. Standish, the treasurer, and the money, and landed them at Dublin; had orders from Lord Fleetwood to cruise between the coast of Scilly and Cape Clear. Saw Capt. Sherwin with 4 vessels laden with provisions for Col. Bryan at Lochaber garrison, safe on their course. Hears of 2 pirates near Kinsale, and hopes to light upon them. Had a violent storm in going from Liverpool to Kinsale. The surgeon's mate is acting as surgeon, according to their order, and the chest has been preserved.	42
„ 7	Capt. Fras. Cranwill, *Liverpool.*	Adm. Com.	Hopes to float the ship next spring tide. Is in hand with the sails, but canvas is dear and scarce at Liverpool, and so are all sorts of provisions; paid 4*s.* for 100 bricks to mend the chimney, a price never known in London. Has powder, and hopes shortly to dispatch the carpenters.	43
„ „	Prize officers -	„	Reply to theirs that the reason the John Baptist has lain so long was because she was claimed. The case was heard in the Admiralty Court yesterday, when the landing and sale of her goods were ordered, as also a commission to appraise her, on return of which, judgment will be given. There are no more waiters on her than needful; one man is not sufficient in case of storm or accident; have always been careful to secure ships and goods at as little expense as possible. There was an order to bring the Ann of Dieppe with hides to London, but it was altered. She has not been in port 10 weeks, as it is not 30 days since she was taken, and the case of this ship and her lading is before his Highness and Council. Have no 2 ships with salt and prunes, but had lately 6 with salt at Portsmouth, and the lading has been sold.	44
„ „	John Packwood, *Woolwich.*	„	Asks whether the Speaker, when in harbour, is only to have a boatswain and one servant, as ordered for other ships.	45
„ 8	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Islip, Dublin Bay.*	„	Delivered the 40,000*l.* to the Treasurers-at-war at Dublin, and sends receipt of Jas. Standish and Wm. Blackwell for it. Encloses an order from the Lord Deputy and Council of Ireland to him, to cruise for 3 months between Kinsale and Scilly; will use all diligence therein. As he lost one of his anchors at Liverpool, and has but 2, and 2 cables left, hopes to be supplied at Kinsale.	46, 46*a*, 47
„ „	Comr. Peter Pett, *London.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Recommends Ashley, boatswain of the Constant Warwick, for an appointment in the Rainbow -	48
„ „	Capt. Philip Gethings, *Harwich.*	Adm. Com.	Has come in by order of Gen. Penn to land sick men, to clean and tallow, and then to return to the Downs, and observe the orders of the Commander-in-Chief. The sickness on board has stayed, but one is dead, and two are not likely to recover; has not above 20 he shall land, save those already on shore.	49
„ „	„ „	Robt. Blackborne.	Asks whether the vessel and wools he seized have been condemned in the Exchequer - -	50
„ „	Chas. Taylor, surveyor, *Bristol.*	Navy Com^rs^	Will not be able to launch the frigate building there before next February - - -	51

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Dec. 8	Jonas Shish, and Math. Chase.	[Navy Comrs.]	Have viewed Mr. Green and Mr. Goffe's tar, and find it fit for service - - - -	52
„ „	Col. Christ. Whichcote, *Windsor Castle.*	NavyComrs	Has safely received 500 barrels of powder from the Ordnance officers for the use of the garrison; 100 were sent last Dec. by his Highness' order, which Commissary Thos. Fowler laid up with his other stores for the army. Has himself 14 barrels for the garrison's account, and uses as little as possible. Disbursed 4*l.* 6*d.* for carriage, and desires payment of his bill, enclosed.	53, 54
„ „	Thos. Shewell, *Bristol.*	„	The Nantwich sticks in the builder's hands longer than was expected; all things needful are ready for her when completed.	55
„ 9	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	„	Sends account of additional supplies needed for Gen. Penn's fleet; cannot obtain them there; desires they may be sent by this day week, when the fleet will be ready to sail. Cannot hear of the arrival of any smiths or masons, save one on the Lion.	56
„ „	Customs' officers -	Commander of Plymouth Fort.	Being empowered by the Protector and Parliament to manage the Customs, find an obstruction, because vessels are suffered to pass that fort outward before they have cleared at the custom house at Plymouth; desire that none be allowed to pass unless they produce a clearance under the hand of Geo. Strelley.	57
„ 10	John Morris, *Gravesend.*	Navy Comrs	Capt. Thompson of the Crow cannot sail, having only 35 on board, and they mostly officers and boys.	58
„ „	Capt. Giles Shelley and Wm. Bolter, *the Colchester.*	„	No cable was received at Portsmouth for the Waterhound by Hen. Coleman, *alias* Rhodes, after she came from the engagement off Portland. With account of what was expended on board from 29 Nov. 1652 to 11 Aug. 1653, and note of 5*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.* due for Rhodes' pay.	59–61
„ 11	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	„	3 or 4 smiths have arrived for the Mathias. Asks whether to recruit the medicine chest of the Grantham, not in his list, as the surgeon had his first supply in London.	62
„ „	Capt. Fras. Parke, *Great President, Spurm.*	Adm. Com.	Has seen the Hull ship to the Humber, and is now proceeding to his station; if he has a storm at N. or N.E., and cannot hold out, will rendezvous at Burlington Bay.	63
„ „	Major N. Bourne, *Navy Office.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Has been down the river, and finds the ships lading for Barbadoes may be dispatched in 7 days, if the weather is fair and the goods are sent. Those with water are gone.	64
„ „	Wm. Hayes, *Lion, Spithead.*	Navy Comrs	Sends duplicates of 8 tickets out of 10 made for discharged men since the ship was paid off -	65
„ „	Prize officers -	—	Account of ships and goods uncondemned and undisposed of, of those uncondemned but disposed of, and of those condemned and ordered to be sold.	66
„ 12	Ordnance officers -	Adm. Com.	Have shipped 500 barrels of powder in the Laurence, for transportation to Leith, and desire a convoy for her.	67
„ „	Jno. Morris, *Gravesend.*	NavyComrs	The Crow has been furnished with necessaries, but wants an anchor, and an order to take 20 able men from the Reserve in the Hope, when she will be ready to sail.	68

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1654.				Vol. 91.
Dec. 12	Capt. Joseph Cubitt, *Dartmouth.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Account of guns found in 35 prizes captured by the Portsmouth while he had the command of her; desires he will inform the Commissioners thereof, as his company were concerned therein, and expect an account from him. There are some bankers yet to sell at Plymouth, and as he lost part of several ships this war, would be thankful for one of them at the appraised value.	69
" "	Capt. Robt. Wilkinson, *the Weymouth, Deptford.*	Adm. Com.	Could not sail through the non-arrival of the provisions and beer: if they are received to-morrow, will sail to the Hope on Friday.	70
" 13	Navy Comrs. -	Robt. Blackborne.	Ask what ships upon or intended for the Scottish coast they are to supply with cables and anchors.	71
" "	Capt. Jno. Taylor, and 3 others.	—	Valuation of timber to be sold by Mr. Wait, being from 3*l.* to 4*l.* per load - - -	72
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Comrs	Asks whether the clerk of the check of the Adam and Eve has had any supplies; cannot find him on the paper sent down by Major Manley.	73
" "	" "	"	What Mr. Dimocke wrote as to the boatswain of the Waterhound being supplied with a cable is true; he had a warrant from the clerk of the survey to deliver one, and it is entered in the book as having been delivered, but no one will swear that the boatswain received it.	74
" 14	Rich. Browne, *Pembroke.*	Adm. Com.	Asks an order to the victuallers to reimburse him for a month's provisions supplied to the Mayflower, when she was weatherbound in the harbour, and could not proceed to Kinsale to recruit.	75
" 15	Capt. Fras. Cranwill, *Hare pink.*	"	Perceives they are not satisfied with the charges incurred, but everything is very dear, and for ready money; has thoroughly repaired and launched the pink, and when fitted and victualled, will be willing to sail; as she is now in good condition, and fit for service, hopes they will not think so much of the expense. Thanks for the 100*l.* for his men, but shall want more to carry the work on.	76
" "	John Morris, *Gravesend.*	Navy Comrs	Wants an order for provisions and beer for the Reserve; asks whether she is to be put into harbour victuals, or break up her sea store. The Crow has sailed.	77
" "	Alex. Bence, *Alicant*	"	Sends a packet from General Robt. Blake, as also some bills on the Commissioners of Customs for wine and casks supplied to his fleet.	78
" 16	Capt. Thos. Sparling, *Assistance, Plymouth.*	Gen. Desborow, *Whitehall.*	Sailed from Cowes with the vessel laden with powder, according to Gen. Penn's order, and on arriving at Plymouth, received instructions to continue upon the coast, which he will observe.	79
" "	Phineas Pett, *Chatham.*	Robt. Blackborne.	They are repairing the ships in harbour, and the keel of the new one is laid, but the works are stayed for want of timber. Sends an enclosure to Gen. Blake's fleet.	80
" "	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Comrs	Renews his demand for New England masts, as he understands Major Sedgwick has arrived; several ships are waiting for them, and not one in store.	81

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Dec. 18	Capt. Fras. Cranwell	—	Two accounts of disbursements for the Hare pink since Nov. 1654 - - - -	82, 83
„ „	Capt. Robt. Claye, *Bryer, Hope.*	Adm. Com.	Has procured within 30 of his number of men, and hopes to obtain the remainder by the time their order arrives to sail.	84
„ „	Capt. John Bourne, *the Portsmouth, Plymouth Sound.*	„	Has come in for sails, water, &c., and when supplied, will return to his station. Has ordered the Pelican and 3 others to Portsmouth, to be refitted and victualled, so has only 4 of his squadron left, and some of them are in want of necessaries.	85
„ „	Wm. Tatnam, *Exeter Castle.*	—	Account of arms, ordnance, &c. received of Capt. Unton Croke of Col. Berrys' regiment, by order of Gen. Desborow, and carried to Falmouth.	86
„ „	Capt. Robt. Drew, *Newcastle.*	Adm. Com.	Was forced in by foul weather and badness of his provisions; has received a supply for 4 months; will sail to the place assigned with the first wind.	87
„ „	Edm. Hopgood -	—	Muster of John Deane, Marshal-General, and Jno. Lawton, his deputy, and 6 servants, for this present sea expedition.	88
„ „	Christ. Coles -	Rob. Thomson.	Desires an order to the Navy treasurer for payment of some of his bills to the bearer, Thos. Ellis, for provisions delivered at Chatham, Woolwich, and Deptford, as he could not wait any longer in town for the treasurer's return.	89
„ „	Capt. N. Heaton, *Sapphire, Falmouth.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Is bound to Portsmouth to revictual, but forced in by an easterly wind. News at sea is rare, other than loss of masts, shipwrecks, and tempestuous weather, whereof he has had much, and on the 21st ult., was hard put to it, and experienced the words of the 26th and 27th verse of the 107th Psalm to the letter. Hears that many ships have been lost, and is thankful he was preserved; had some men washed overboard.	90
„ „	Capt. Philip Gethings, *the Preston, Harwich.*	„	Has seized 99 hhds. of train oil in the Sayrey hoy from Holland, and a quantity of pitch, linseed, oil, yarn, kettles, and coppers, in the Golden Pigeon of Amsterdam; will advise with the Customs' Commissioners at Ipswich thereon. Hears the agent for sick and wounded has come down; his sick men have been much slighted by the powers of Harwich, who put them into a house without windows for several days, whereby one is likely to lose his life, and another had saved his limbs if he had had a proper place to go to on shore. Has had 6 fallen sick since he came in, one having the small pox. Has been waiting 5 days for a wind to sail. With receipt for 2*l.* for sending an express to Whitehall and back, because the mayor of Harwich would not receive the men with small pox.	91, 92
„ „	Thos. Haiter, *Portsmouth.*	Edw. Hopkins, Navy Comr.	Has been detained by illness, and is now ordered to remain to assist Mr. Poortman in paying ships when they are fitted and out in the bay. The Torrington and her squadron have taken in all their soldiers and will sail to-morrow.	93
„ 19	Saml. Larke, *Plymouth Fort.*	Gen. Jno. Desborow.	Sends account by Robt. Dobell, keeper of the stores, of 690 barrels of powder there. The 300 barrels ordered have arrived, and been stowed in the fort and castle; the Portsmouth, Pelican, and Assistance, who convoyed it, have come in, as also several Dutch and merchant ships.	94, 95
„ „	„ „	Adm. Com.	The William of London has arrived with the 300 barrels of powder, and is ready to sail with the 200 for Pendennis.	96

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Dec. 19	Phineas Pett, *Chatham.*	Navy Com^rs^	Having received 2 warrants for the carpenter's place in the Tiger, one for Jno. Gale, and the other for Ezekiah Purnell, desires further directions. Has received 30*l.* 7*s.* 1*d.* on account of 38*l.* of Mr. Randall for decayed provisions. Did not deduct the 20*s.* in the 100*l.* according to the contract with Mr. Ellis, the sailmaker; asks whether to deduct it in his last bill about to be sent in.	97
„ „	Capt. Philip Gethings.	Robt. Blackborne.	Has delivered the two vessels seized with prohibited goods from Holland to the Customs' officers, Ipswich; begs he will stand their friend that they may have the seizure, or such an allowance from the farmers as is given to others in like cases.	98
„ „	Wm. Steventon, *the Grantham.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends the duplicates of some tickets for the pay to some of the seamen's wives, as also of those discharged sick and unfit for service.	99
„ „	Capt. Fras. Cranwill, *Chester.*	Adm. Com.	Has launched the Pink, and will soon be able to sail to his station. Regrets the expense incurred in refitting owing to the high prices, having to pay 4*s.* for 100 bricks, and 2*s.* 6*d.* a day to the carpenters, with other things in proportion. Has several bills signed by Col. Cooper, and hopes they will take some course for payment, for the sake of his wife and family.	100
„ 20	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs^	Sends the names of 15 ships of the squadron this day put to sea; the rest would have followed if the water vessels had arrived. Shipped 45 horses, and will have the remainder on board to-morrow.	101, 102
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	Adm. Com.	Ask an order to continue payment of 50*l.* to Jane, widow of Edm. Nightingale, slain in the war with the Dutch, for the use of her child. The Commissioners for Prize Goods decline paying it on the Navy Commissioners' warrant. With the warrant of the Admiralty Committee, 25 April 1653, for payment to her of 100*l.*; letter of the Sick and Wounded Committee, 18 Dec. 1654, that they have only paid her 60*l.*, and security should be taken for the rest; request for its payment to Capt. Jno. Strange and Thos. Symonds on her behalf, and their bond in 100*l.* to pay it to her.	103, 108
„ „	Capt. Phil. Gethings, *Preston frigate.*	—	Account of goods, consisting of train oil, whalebone, nutmegs, &c., seized in the Mary hoy of Ipswich; also deposition of Thos. Boones, of Ipswich, mariner, that he helped to take out of the hoy, riding at Ipswich, 50 hogsheads of oil, a quantity of whalebone, and 40 or 50 dry casks.	109, 110
„ „	Navy Comrs. -	—	Estimate of debts owing in the Navy office, as also upon contracts, and the amounts to be provided by the end of March for wages, stores, &c.; with the charge of 8,000 men in 60 ships for the summer guard in 1655. Total, 850,610*l.*	111
„ „	Col. W. Sydenham -	Adm. Com.	Recommends Hen. Maper as a clerk of the check, his last ship being laid aside - - -	112
„ „	Capt. Robt. Clarke, *the Bristol, Downs.*	„	On an order from the Protector to provide a frigate to carry Mr. Gage, minister of Deal, to Portsmouth, appointed the Fagons, which has sailed with him. Wants an anchor for the Advice, and some cables for his own ship and another.	113
„ 22	„ „	Navy Com^rs^	Examined the business concerning the 2 soldiers' tickets, and has found one belonging to Jas. Fletcher, and made out and sent up a new one for the other.	114

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1564.				Vol. 91.
Dec. 22	Capt. Edw. Tarleton, *Islip, Dublin Bay.*	Adm. Com.	The shipwright that built the Islip made a mistake, as her bearing is too low by 2 feet, so that when her provisions are in, her bearing lies almost under water; she must be girdled. Sends an order from the Lord Deputy and Council of Ireland, 21 Dec., to convoy 2 ships to Cork with provisions for the army, then proceed to Bristol to have his ship strengthened, and return to Dublin.	115, 116
" "	Capt. Fras. Cranwill, *Hare, Liverpool.*	Navy Com[rs]	Sends account of the expenditure of 200*l.* imprest, and of disbursements in refitting and furnishing his ship. Has received 300*l.*, and expended 162*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* above that amount; desires it may be cleared.	117, 118
" "	Navy Comrs.	Adm. Com.	Have provided the cables and anchors for the frigates on the coast of Scotland; as the victuallers are not freighting any vessel bound there, have hired a Scotchman to take them.	119
" "	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	"	Has no news of the Nonsuch and Hope, but will send up their men on arrival. If they agree with Mr. Waite for his timber, which is large and very dear, it should be equally distributed between the yards of Chatham, Woolwich, and Deptford.	120
" "	Chas. Walley, *Chester.*	Rich. Hutchinson.	The bill for 40*l.*, payable to Rich. Piggot having been mislaid, encloses another, and desires payment, having received the value from Wm. Legg. Asks whether to pay Capt. Cranwill 149*l.* odd, balance due for fitting out his frigate.	121
" "	Tim. Carme, *the Selby, Portsmouth Road.*	[Navy Comrs.].	Sends up the muster books, and duplicates of the tickets he was necessitated to give to some of the men.	122
" 23	Rich. Poulter, *Ordnance office.*	—	Account of gunpowder bought by Jno. Freeman for the State, on which a bill of imprest was made out for 528*l.* 1*s.*	123
" "	Capt. Robt. Wilkinson, *the Weymouth, Gravesend.*	Adm. Com.	Most of the foremast men ran away when paid, though leaving 3 months' pay due, but some have returned. Will try to get more.	124
" 24	Capt. Robt. Saunders, *Dover frigate.*	General Desborow.	Will do his utmost to prove his affection for the present Government, which neither Generals Dean nor Monk have had any reason to doubt.	125
" 25	" "	Navy Com[rs]	Begs consideration of his charge in coming from the Essex to the Tredagh, and in taking the latter from Deptford to Long Reach, and allowance as former commanders. Had he continued in the Tredagh, should not have thought his care and charge too much, as he was never in a better ship, which is to the builder's credit; Comr. Willoughby will certify his readiness in assisting to fit out the ships for the service.	126
" "	Comr. Peter Pett, *Chatham.*	Robt. Blackborne.	Begs him to inform the Admiralty Committee that the Centurion is at anchor near the Sovereign, and to obtain their order to the Treasurer and Navy Commissioners for the pay of her men, whom he will send up to Deptford. Recommends Jno. Gail as carpenter in the Tiger, he having so served in the Greyhound for 2 years; had he not also served him 7 years, should have said more in his commendation.	127

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Dec. 25	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Navy Com^rs	Sends certificate of a survey made by Jno. Tippetts and 2 others of the ships in harbour; as the fleet is dispatched, has ordered the men to go to work upon them with expedition.	128, 129
„ „	Wm. Hayes, *Portsmouth.*	„	Sends duplicates of some tickets granted to his men, and desires they may pass - - -	130
„ „	Robt. Moore -	Adm. Com.	Petition for the boatswain's place in the Mary prize, having served many years; was at the taking of Scilly and Barbadoes, under Sir Geo. Ayscue, as midshipman in the Mary, and in the engagement with the Dutch off Portland. With certificate by Capt. H. Maddison and 3 others in his favour.	131, 132
„ „	Capt. Lamb. Cornelius, *Weymouth.*	„	Received their order, and will ship and carry the money to Jersey on its arrival - - -	133
„ „	Capt. John Bourne, *the Portsmouth, Plymouth Sound.*	„	Came in for sails, victuals, &c.; has been detained by the weather, but hopes to proceed to his station to-morrow. Particulars of the movements of ships.	134
„ 26	Capt. Wm. Crispin, *Laurel, off the Lizard.*	„	Was ordered by Rear-Admiral Dakins to lie out, so as to speak with any ship homeward bound, and inform them that the Major-General and all the rest on board the squadron were well, and only wanted the Indian, who has not yet joined. The wind is at S.S.W.	135
„ „	Capt. Thos. Sparling, *Assistance, Falmouth.*	General Desborow, *Whitehall.*	Has been detained at Plymouth by the foul weather; on proceeding to Falmouth, met the Saphire, who signalled, being in distress for want of provisions, by holding up empty cans and platters; found they had but 2 days' at half allowance, to which they had been confined for some days. Could not then supply them with the 14 days' provisions demanded, as no boat could lie by her side, but will do so, and then proceed to his station, as ordered by Capt. Bourne.	136
„ „	Capt. Fras. Cranwill, *Hare, Liverpool.*	Adm. Com.	His account sent up will show that he has not expended a penny more than needed in repair of his pink; had he been timely supplied with money to discharge his engagements, would have long since been at his station.	137
„ 27	Navy Comrs. -	„	Have freighted the Recovery, William, Morning Star, and Edward, to carry the goods for Barbadoes, and they are now in the river waiting for a wind.	138
„ „	Capt. Robt. Clarke, *the Bristol, Downs.*	Navy Com^rs	Will deliver their letter to Capt. Fenn of the Augustine, on his arrival from New England with the masts. Wants an anchor for Capt. Allen of the Advice, and some cables, and oars for his own ship and the Fagons.	139
„ 28	Capt. Alex. Farley, *Basing, Cockenny Road.*	Adm. Com.	After receiving his provisions at Newcastle, set sail, but the weather proving very bad, was forced into the Firth.	140
„ „	Col. Rich. Ingoldsby	—	Certificate that Abr. Barnes, soldier, served in the Assurance, but came sick from shipboard, and is now in Ely House Hospital.	141

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1654.				Vol. 91.
Dec. 29	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	The Pelican has arrived from Plymouth with orders to go to Chatham for repair, and the Advice to be fitted there, but as her defects are so great, and as they are much behind by the fleet's long abode there, thinks she had better go to Chatham. The Little Charity has 20 tuns of water on board, and if there were not a stay for casks, might take in the horses.	142
" "	Capt. Rich. Cowes, *Cat, Dublin.*	"	Has been ordered by the Lord Deputy and Council to stay to convoy the ships with horses for Scotland; they supplied him with new sails the better to perform the service.	143
" "	Capt. Fras. Cranwill, *Liverpool.*	"	Waits a confirmation of former credit, and directions to conclude what was begun by their orders. Is grieved to be compelled to stay, being victualled and fitted, but cannot sail without money, or settlement of his account. Has been twice to Chester, but cannot receive any money from Mr. Walley.	144
" "	Capt. Robt. Clarke, *the Bristol, Downs.*	Robt. Blackborne.	The hoys bound to Portsmouth were seen by 2 London ships bound for the East Indies. Apologises for troubling the Admiralty Committee instead of the Navy Commissioners for anchors and cables. Sent the Advice to Dieppe to fetch the Marquis Fisco, but he had left. There are several ships at Dunkirk waiting for a convoy. Mr. Poortmans has paid his company, and is now paying the Fairfax.	145
" "	Wm. Serjeant and 2 others, *Dublin Bay.*	Adm. Com.	Certify that the builder of the Islip has made her bearing too low, and she would be in danger in a strong gale.	146
" 30	Capt. Fras. Willoughby, *Portsmouth.*	"	As the Little Charity may sail by Wednesday, desires the captain may have instructions. Particulars of ships in the road bound for the Downs.	147
" "	Jno. Parker -	—	Certificate that he ordered Stephen Day, steward of the Truelove, to deliver the empty casks on shore at Wexford and Dublin, as mentioned in his receipt, having no room to stow them.	148
" "	Capt. Ja. Terry and 3 others.	—	Certificate that they surveyed the Pelican prize, and found her stern and headings rotten and defective, insomuch that the sea had a constant course in, and the spikes and bolts had very little hold in the stern; her officers, soldiers, and men were very unwilling to proceed further in her, but very free to go on their voyage. [2 *copies.*]	149, 150
" "	Capt. Robt. Haytubbe, *Little Charity, Portsmouth.*	Adm. Com.	Is fitting out his ship, and has most of the water stowed, and as he hopes to be ready next week, asks orders how to proceed, as other ships are expected bound the same way.	151
" 31	Capt. Robt. Clarke, *the Bristol, Downs.*	"	Sends particulars of ships in or from the Downs. Will give Capt. Penrose of the Nonsuch notice of their order on his arrival.	152–153
" "	" "	Navy Com^rs	Will direct Capt. Thompson of the Crow to come in, and will observe their order on the arrival of the Augustine. The Advice wants an anchor, and his ship and the Fagons want cables, &c. Also wants some ballast, which Mr. White at Dover says will cost 3*s.* 6*d.* per ton, and his boats cannot fetch any.	154

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	References.
1654. Dec. 31.	Geo. Gosnell, *Ipswich*	Capt. Phil. Gethings.	Hears from Mr. Papworth, their officer at Harwich, that he has delivered up the two vessels, and also that he is about to sail; will see that his 3rd part therein is paid. With 2 receipts for cask had from Gethings.	Vol. 91. 155–157
" "	Thos. White, *Dover*	—	Account of disbursements for ships named since 2 Oct., total 58*l.* 19*s.* 3*d.* - - -	158
Dec.?	John Wager, boatswain of *the Tiger*.	Navy Com^rs	Certificate that Capt. Peacock, on 24 Oct. last, took a State's pinnace from the shore at Harwich, and left a decayed one in her place.	159
"	Capt. Rob. Mackey	Adm. Com.	Has been detained by bad weather, so that the pilot would not venture to carry him out, but will sail with the first wind.	160

UNDATED PAPERS relating to the NAVY. i. PETITIONS.

1654?				Vol. 92.
"	Bandoleer makers -	Ordnance Com.	For leave to supply 10,000 bandoleers at 12*d.* a girdle. Provided them during all the late war, but others have lately supplied them and brought the price to 16*d.*	1
"	John Barfoot, mariner, *Wapping*.	Adm. Com.	For the gunner's place on the Chesnut at Deptford. Was in all the engagements with the Hollanders, and 18 months gunner in the Half Moon, but was discharged 4 months ago.	2
"	Geo. Browning, gunner of the *Gift*.	"	To be gunner in a better ship. Has served many years by sea and land. Was wounded at Chichester, had his estate burned by Goring's forces at Gosport, and has served in 6 fights against the Dutch.	3
"	Peter Jansey Callis	"	For satisfaction. Is a merchant and subject of the Duke of Holstein, who is in amity with the Commonwealth, and sole owner and legal proprietor of some ship timber taken in the 4 Brothers of Tunnick in Holstein. The ship with her lading was, by sentence of the Admiralty Court, to be restored to the owners, but afterwards the timber was appraised by the officers of the stores at Woolwich at 69*l.* 10*s.*, and was put into the stores, whereas it cost him 104*l.* 10*s.* German money, and he is bound to pay 500 guilders or 50*l.* for the freight, amounting together to 154*l.* 10*s.*	4
"	Hugh Clemens, carpenter of the *Cignet*.	"	For removal into the Stork prize. Has served 20 years, and was promised a remove to one of the new frigates by the now generals of the fleet, but was at sea when the officers were appointed.	5
"	Jane Cooley, widow	"	For an order to Capt. Tatnell to give her a ticket for the wages of her apprentice, Jas. Boyden, whilst in the Rosebush. He has served through the wars, and is now in the Tulip, but Tatnell detains his ticket.	6

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	References.
1654?				
"	And. Harmesey, Dutchman.	Adm. Com.	For wages. Was taken 3 June last, and was 8 weeks in prison; has served 5 months in the Mary Rose, and been lamed. With 4 signatures.	Vol. 92. 7
"	John Haslelock, surgeon.	"	For the place of surgeon at Deptford and Woolwich, having long served faithfully, and been surgeon-general in the war with the Dutch. With certificates from Sir Geo. Ayscue, 6 masters in surgery, and General Blake 1649–1652, to his abilities. Also note from Gen. Monk, 7 Oct. 1653, to the governors of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, recommending him to the surgeon's place of the Lock, at their disposal.	8–13
"	Wm. Hempson -	"	For employment. Has served at sea 7 years as purser in the Laurel and Phœnix, and this last summer in the Resolution, in disposing of the victuals sent to the fleet.	14
"	" -	"	For payment of his wages, being ordered the same as his predecessor, Mr. Blundel, but the Navy Commissioners say they do not know what Blundel was allowed.	15
"	John Hoskins, waterman on the *Paragon*, *Chatham*.	"	For discharge. Has served 9 years during all the troublous times, which being over, wishes to return to his trade and marry one to whom he has been long engaged.	16
"	Joan, widow of Valentine Howard, corporal in the *Sussex*.	The Protector.	For relief for self and 2 children; her husband lost his life in the service, and she has only received 10*l.* from the Commissioners at Little Britain. With reference to the Admiralty Committee.	17
"	Lawrence Johnson, mariner of *Norway*.	Adm. Com.	For discharge from service. Coming on a merchant voyage, was pressed a year ago into the Elias, but hears that his wife and 4 children are ready to perish for want of relief.	18
"	John Musgrave, boatswain of the *Bryer*.	"	To be boatswain of the ship building at Portsmouth. Has served 13 years, 4 years being in the Bryer. With certificate by Capt. Rob. Sansum and 4 others.	19, 20
"	Richard, son of Thos. Rabenet, master attendant of the Navy.	"	To be boatswain of the frigate building at Chatham. Has been bred to navigation; was in all the late engagements, and is now midshipman in the President.	21
"	Katherine, widow of Hum. Rayment, ropemaker, *Ratcliffe*.	"	For payment to her out of the Navy treasury of ½ of 220*l.* due for cables, &c., delivered by her son John; her husband left her ½ of his estate, but her son has taken all the rope-making materials, which were the greatest part thereof.	22
"	Nath. Rockwell, late lieutenant of the *Kentish*.	"	For travelling charges. Served on the Newcastle from 4 May to 25 June, and was then ordered to Harwich to the Kentish, whence he was discharged in Stokes' Bay on 29 Dec. last.	23

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Date.	From	To	Subject.	References.
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1654?	John Rose - -	Adm. Com.	For a master's place. Was in 4 engagements with the Dutch, under Major Bourne, then lieutenant of the Exchange under Capt. Rob. Haytubbe.	24
"	John Rudd -	"	For a boatswain's place. Has served 7 years, and last under Gen Penn in the war with Holland. With certificate by Paul Bradshaw and 14 others.	25, 26
"	Peter Tucker, boatswain in the *Waterhound.*	"	To be boatswain of the small frigate at Yarmouth. Was in the Bonadventure in the Straits, and at the regaining of the Phœnix, and since under Capt. Shelley in the Waterhound, now laid up. With certificate by Capt. Giles Shelley.	27, 28
"	Thos. Webb, late steward of the *Little President.*	"	For allowance of servant's wages, although Captain Sparling turned his servant ashore, saying he would not have boys on board; also for passing of his accounts from Aug. 1652 to Dec. 1653, which he presented in Jan., but they have been lost. Owes 24*l.* for board, clothes, &c., and has been imprisoned, but released on bail.	29
"	" "	"	To like effect. Has been waiting 8 months for his accounts; lay in prison at 12*d.* a night charges.	30

Undated Papers relating to the Navy, &c. ii. Letters.

"	J. B. - -	Mrs. Mathews, *Gray's Inn Lane.*	Apologies for not waiting on her. Will meet her at Mr. Bell's on Monday - - -	31
"	J. Fowler - -	Robt. Blackborne.	Requests leave to come to town on family business, there being in harbour but the Fairfax, Tredagh, and Bristol.	32
"	Jonathan Gibbons -	Major Bourne.	Asks a letter to the commander of the Lion to discharge Major Gibbons' son, who has been pressed for that ship, and is kept at a house called the Speaker, in Shadwell, as he is not yet clear of Capt. Crane who came from New England.	33

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1654?				Vol. 92.
"	Sam. Hyland -	Maj.-Gen. Thos. Kelsey.	Begs a chaplain's place at sea for — Roebotham, recommended by Mr. Roebotham, chaplain to Col. Mill's regiment. He wishes to be spared coming before the tryers.	34
"	Martin Noel and Nat. Waterhouse.	Adm.Com.	Recommend Capt. Thos. Hale, lieutenant of the Victory. The Protector promised him a place in the life guard, but it did not fall out.	35
"	Capt. Rich. Potter, *Constant Warwick.*	"	Complains of his boatswain and gunner's neglect of duty in remaining on shore for several days at Plymouth and Harwich, and after the ship had put to sea.	36
"	John Purver -	Navy Com^rs^	Begs order for payment of a waggon that has carried the tools of 100 discharged calkers and carpenters from Portsmouth to London, and without payment they cannot have their tools.	37
"	Ralph Rountree, teacher in the *Pelican.*	Maj.-Gen. Desborow.	Asks a cook's place in a ship for Thos. Riveley. Has had a share in both sufferings and mercies in these distractions in England, and has seen the signal wonders of God.	38
"	Thos. Russell, boatswain of the *Peter prize.*	Navy Com^rs^	Begs relief, having been long sick and at his own charge. Had a deputy on his ship, after whose discharge some stores were embezzled; is not the least guilty therein.	39
"	Theo. Sacheverell, purser.	"	Begs that his captain may be compelled to sign his accounts, without which the victualler will not pass them.	40
"	Capt. Ga. Saunders	Robt. Blackborne.	As they are bound to the Straits, and are to have lieutenants, begs that Mr. Aird, who lost his arm in the service, may be his lieutenant.	41
"	Thos. Scott, and Manlie Callis.	[Navy Comrs.]	Have surveyed the Cignet, and send particulars of defects - - - - -	42
"	Wm. Serjeant -	Col. Clarke, Adm.Comr.	Rich. Day, check of the Bazim frigate, who wishes to be made its purser, has 2 wives living in London.	43
"	Capt. Edm. Thomson	Adm. Com.	The boatswain of the Plover informs that 2 anchors and the boat's grapplings were sold last voyage.	44
"	Capt. Whitehorn -	Blackborne	Has spoken with many vessels, and been within 4 or 5 leagues of Yarmouth, but can hear of no men-of-war troubling those parts.	45
"	Wm. Willoughby -	Navy Com^rs^	Asks where to send some wounded men, who will be long before they are fit for service. His brother has gone to see if they can get the Sovereign down.	46
"	" " -	"	Sends the surgeon to urge the clearing the town of wounded men, who will be a great charge if they stay a perfect cure. Adventures to remove more than he would, lest the last engagement should bring in others.	47

Undated Papers relating to the Navy, &c. iii. Miscellaneous.

Date.	Subject.	References.
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1654 ?	Certificate by Jon. Harman, that Sam. Bosworth is godly, honest, and fit for employment - - - - - -	48
"	Certificate by Phin. Pett, and 4 others, that John Brooker was cook of the Leopard when taken in the Straits, has since served in the James, and is fit for employment.	49
"	Request by Hum. Blake, treasurer for prize moneys, that Mat. Scarborough may be appointed his deputy, with a salary of 80*l.*, less than given to former sub-treasurers.	50
"	Names of persons proposed for employment in the Prize Office :—John Ince, accountant and chief clerk, salary 60*l.*; Wm. Maxfield, surveyor, 40*l.*; Jas. Blackborne, deputy comptroller at Plymouth, 3*d.* in the pound; J. Greenwell, at Portsmouth, the same. Noted "Agreed."	51
"	List of officers employed by the late comptroller of prize goods, viz.: in London, accountant, 80*l.*; surveyor, 60*l.*; tideman, 12*s.* a week; Plymouth, deputy comptroller, 50*l.*, and at Portsmouth, Southampton, Isle of Wight, Dover, Deal, and Sandwich, 40*l.*; in each of these places a warehouse keeper at 30*l.*; and a tideman at 7*s.* or 9*s.* a week.	52
"	Note of the Hopewell of London, bound for Cork, laden with wines for Lord Henry Cromwell and Col. Jephson, being by order of the Admiralty Commisssioners convoyed to Portsmouth and there left.	53
"	Note of goods delivered for the Navy by John Pitts, carpenter, value 264*l.* 5*s.* 3*d* Thos. Lane, joiner, 174*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.*; Mr. Browne, plumber, 129*l.* 15*s.* 5*d.*; Thos. Norfolk, bricklayer, 97*l.* 16*s.* 4*d.*; and Edw. Gudenuffe, plasterer, 51*l.* 18*s.* 6*d.*; total, 717*l.* 17*s.*	54
"	Account of sums due to 39 vessels named, for periods from 20 to 54 months' service; total, 134,684*l.* 6*s.* - - - -	55
"	Account of Eastland commodities, tar, deals, pitch, oil, &c., bought or seized for the State since 12 Dec. - - - -	56
"	List by John Hubbard, Jos. Burnet, and Chas. Hawkins, of 32 seamen who are to be discharged for illness, age, wounds, &c. -	57, 58
"	Note of officers appointed for the Lily and Swallow, lately built at Deptford, the Hart and Rose at Woolwich, and the Pearl and Cignet at Chatham.	59
"	Account of the charge for materials and workmanship in making two bolts of canvas by Jno. Elmie, in Suffolk, being 64 yards at 16*d.* per yard; total, 4*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* If encouragement be given to the workmen, they may be able to make it 2*d.* a yard less.	60
"	Abstract of payments made by the Navy Treasurer since 1 Nov. 1654, out of 100,000*l.* assigned upon the Exchequer for seamen's wages, victualling, clothes, imprests, bills of exchange, timber, stores, &c.; total, 98,802*l.* 0*s.* 9*d.*	61
"	Accounts by Mr. Swetnam of disbursements for sick, wounded, and dead men - - - - - - -	62–64
"	Particulars of the condition of 10 ships named - - - - - - - - - - -	65
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"	List of 47 wives and widows of seamen and 5 seamen, with the amount of gratuity or pay received by many of them - -	67
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[May.] Col. Wm. Borthwick to the Protector. As I never disputed your commands, nothing shall hinder my praying for your happiness, which is all I can do in my present condition. I will not trouble you with my sufferings, but beg you to consider how I suffer in my reputation which I value more than life. Am I alone to be excluded from your justice, and will the justest of all not only princes but men permit an innocent prisoner to perish unheard? Much rather let me seal my innocency with my blood on the scaffold. But I know that now, after 19 weeks' imprisonment, you will hasten my trial or enlargement. Had I resolved to sell my honour, I should have made an ill bargain not to get enough to eat bread. Had the bloody rebels employed one of quality to do mischief, they would long ere now have enquired after him. [*Vol.* 71, *No.* 122. *See also, Dec.* 1656, *and March* 1657.]

Aug. 8. Petition of Wm. Tasborough to Council, for restoration to his place. Is well affected, and had often adventured himself against the enemy, and though there have been various changes in late years, has always "sided with those with whom the Lord hath appeared in the con-"clusion," and will never join those that seek to destroy the public peace, and would venture life for his Highness. By an unhappy accident, has let an enemy escape from custody, but begs pardon and discharge, as his commitment will ruin his wife and children. [*Vol.* 84, *No.* 24*b*.]

Aug. $\frac{8}{18}$. Bruges. Deposition by Sir Rich. Grenville that there is due to him from the estate of Theophilus, late Earl of Suffolk, 45,000*l.* sterling, principal and interest, besides costs and damages. With extract from the day book of Jas. Robinson of goods received 20 Sept. 1652, from Dutch ships on the Earl's account, viz., 2 very great coffers, 2 great flat coffers, 12 great packs of tapestry, 14 packs of Turkey carpets, worth 45,000*l.* Flemish, or 27,000*l.*, taken in presence of the magistrates of Bruges, and agreed to by Mr. Noblet, the late Earl's attorney. [*Vol.* 74, *No.* 24*a*.]

Aug. 15. Order in Council that the Admiralty Commissioners order payment of 268*l.* for 203 tents and 1,000 snapsacks for Col. Pride's regiment, marching to Scotland, out of 139*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* in the hands of John Powell, overplus of 1,300*l.* received by him from the Customs' Committee, to pay for tents and shoes provided by the Ordnance officers, and from 128*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* to be paid to Powell by the collectors for prize goods. With bill for the 268*l.* [*I.* 75, *p.* 489; *Vol.* 74, *Nos.* 59 *a*, *b*.]

Aug. 21. Ordinance by the Protector and Council that the 1,000*l.* ordered to Viscount or Lady Katherine Ranelagh, for the use made of his estate in Ireland by the Parliament forces, be paid out of the moneys

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to come in to the treasurers at Goldsmiths' Hall from the subscribers to the Yorkshire engagement. [*Vol.* 74, *No.* 106*a*.]

Sept. 8. Ordinance by the Protector and Council for payment of 600*l*. to Edw. Elvins, alderman of Worcester, for his fidelity when mayor of the city in 1646, and when governor in 1651, for his losses by the burning of his house and plundering of his goods, and his expenses in money; to be raised from the estates of those delinquents who assisted the King of Scots in the late engagement at Worcester. [*Vol.* 76, *No.* 28*a*.]

Dec. ? Petition of 40 officers and seamen of the Roe ketch, under Capt. Thos. Bowrey, to the Admiralty Commissioners. We have been employed 31 to 34 months by the keepers of the liberties of England in and about the northern and eastern seas, and are in great straits and worn out for want of money and necessaries, and our conditions as "deplorable as may be expressed by many aggravations," so that we are obliged "to present before you the map of our misery" that we may obtain relief, and not be unfit to equip and deport ourselves like men, and relieve our families like Christians. Let our small salaries be paid, and our families relieved, and you will be the redressors of our grievances, and we shall hope better days; for though our government be changed, we have a reparation of it, and since God has put into your hands the opportunity to do good, we hope he will put it into your hearts to effect a matter of such consequence to us. [*Vol.* 77, *No.* 84.]

1654? Note [by Wm. Ryley] of the descent of Geo. Appleby from Sir Edmund Appleby, slain after Mussleborough battle in Scotland, 1 Edw. VI. His widow, Joyce, daughter of Thos. Curzon of Croxhall, co. Derby, married Thos. Lewes of Mancester, co. Warwick, and "was burned at Coventry 1557, for her constancy in religion, of whom Master Fox hath written in his book of the Acts and monuments of the martyrs."

With note of their land in Greystock manor, and their arms, argent, a cross gules. [*Vol.* 77, *No.* 110.]

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Vol. I.—1660-1661.	Vol. V.—1665-1666.
Vol. II.—1661-1662.	Vol. VI.—1666-1667.
Vol. III.—1663-1664.	Vol. VII.—1667.
Vol. IV.—1664-1665.	

Seven volumes of this Calendar, of the period between 1660 and 1667, have been published.

CALENDAR OF HOME OFFICE PAPERS OF THE REIGN OF GEORGE III., preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* JOSEPH REDINGTON, Esq., 1878-1879.

Vol. I.—1760 (25 Oct.)-1765.	Vol. II.—1766-1769.

These are the first two volumes of the modern series of Domestic Papers, commencing with the accession of George III.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS relating to SCOTLAND, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* MARKHAM JOHN THORPE, Esq., of St. Edmund Hall, Oxford. 1858.

Vol. I., the Scottish Series, of the Reigns of Henry VIII., Edward VI., Mary, and Elizabeth, 1509-1589.

Vol. II., the Scottish Series, of the Reign of Elizabeth, 1589-1603; an Appendix to the Scottish Series, 1543-1592; and the State Papers relating to Mary Queen of Scots during her Detention in England, 1568-1587.

These two volumes of State Papers relate to Scotland, and embrace the period between 1509 and 1603. In the second volume are notices of the State Papers relating to Mary Queen of Scots.

CALENDAR OF DOCUMENTS relating to IRELAND, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office, London. *Edited by* HENRY SAVAGE SWEETMAN, Esq., B.A., Trinity College, Dublin, Barrister-at-Law (Ireland). 1875–1879.

Vol. I.—1171–1251.
Vol. II.—1252–1284.
Vol. III.—1285–1292.

These volumes contain a Calendar of all documents relating to Ireland, preserved in the Public Record Office, London; the work is to be continued to the end of the reign of Henry VII.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS relating to IRELAND, OF THE REIGNS OF HENRY VIII., EDWARD VI., MARY, AND ELIZABETH, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* HANS CLAUDE HAMILTON, Esq., F.S.A. 1860–1877.

Vol. I.—1509–1573.
Vol. II.—1574–1585.
Vol. III.—1586–1588.

The above have been published under the editorship of Mr. Hans Claude Hamilton.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS relating to IRELAND, OF THE REIGN OF JAMES I., preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office, and elsewhere. *Edited by* the Rev. C. W. RUSSELL, D.D., and JOHN P. PRENDERGAST, Esq., Barrister-at-Law. 1872–1880.

Vol. I.—1603–1606.
Vol. II.—1606–1608.
Vol. III.—1608–1610.
Vol. IV.—1611–1614.
Vol. V.—1615–1625.

This series is in continuation of the Irish State Papers commencing with the reign of Henry VIII.; but, for the reign of James I., the Papers are not confined to those in the Public Record Office, London.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS, COLONIAL SERIES, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office, and elsewhere. *Edited by* W. NOEL SAINSBURY, Esq. 1860–1880.

Vol. I.—America and West Indies, 1574–1660.
Vol. II.—East Indies, China, and Japan, 1513–1616.
Vol. III.—East Indies, China, and Japan, 1617–1621.
Vol. IV.—East Indies, China, and Japan, 1622–1624.
Vol. V.—America and West Indies, 1661–1668.

These volumes include an analysis of early Colonial Papers in the Public Record Office, the India Office, and the British Museum.

CALENDAR OF LETTERS AND PAPERS, FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC, OF THE REIGN OF HENRY VIII., preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office, the British Museum, &c. *Edited by* J. S. BREWER, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London, (Vols. I.–IV.); and *by* JAMES GAIRDNER, Esq., (Vol. V.) 1862–1880.

Vol. I.—1509–1514.
Vol. II. (in Two Parts)—1515–1518.
Vol. III. (in Two Parts)—1519–1523.
Vol. IV.—Introduction.
Vol. IV., Part 1.—1524–1526.
Vol. IV., Part 2.—1526–1528.
Vol. IV., Part 3.—1529–1530.
Vol. V.—1531–1532.

These volumes contain summaries of all State Papers and Correspondence relating to the reign of Henry VIII., in the Public Record Office, of those formerly in the State Paper Office, in the British Museum, the Libraries of Oxford and Cambridge, and other Public Libraries; and of all letters that have appeared in print in the works of Burnet, Strype, and others. Whatever authentic original material exists in England relative to the religious, political, parliamentary, or social history of the country during the reign of Henry VIII., whether despatches of ambassadors, or proceedings of the army, navy, treasury, or ordnance, or records of Parliament, appointments of officers, grants from the Crown, &c., will be found calendared in these volumes.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS, FOREIGN SERIES, OF THE REIGN OF EDWARD VI., preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. 1547–1553. *Edited by* W. B. TURNBULL, Esq., of Lincoln's Inn, Barrister-at-Law, &c. 1861.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS, FOREIGN SERIES, OF THE REIGN OF MARY, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. 1553–1558. *Edited by* W. B. TURNBULL, Esq., of Lincoln's Inn, Barrister-at-Law, &c. 1861.

The two preceding volumes exhibit the negotiations of the English ambassadors with the courts of the Emperor Charles V. of Germany, of Henry II. of France, and of Philip II. of Spain. The affairs of several of the minor continental states also find various incidental illustrations of much interest.

A valuable series of Papers descriptive of the circumstances which attended the loss of Calais merits a special notice; while the progress of the wars in the north of France, into which England was dragged by her union with Spain, is narrated at some length. The domestic affairs of England are of course passed over in these volumes, which treat only of its relations with foreign powers.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS, FOREIGN SERIES, OF THE REIGN OF ELIZABETH, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office, &c. *Edited by* the Rev. JOSEPH STEVENSON, M.A., of University College, Durham, (Vols. I.–VII.), and ALLAN JAMES CROSBY, Esq., M.A., Barrister-at-Law, (Vols. VIII.–XI.) 1863–1880.

Vol. I.—1558–1559.
Vol. II.—1559–1560.
Vol. III.—1560–1561.
Vol. IV.—1561–1562.
Vol. V.—1562.
Vol. VI.—1563.
Vol. VII.—1564–1565.
Vol. VIII.—1566–1568.
Vol. IX.—1569–1571.
Vol. X.—1572–1574.
Vol. XI.—1575–1577.

These volumes contain a Calendar of the Foreign Correspondence during the early portion of the reign of Queen Elizabeth, deposited in the Public Record Office, &c. They illustrate not only the external but also the domestic affairs of Foreign Countries during that period.

CALENDAR OF TREASURY PAPERS, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* JOSEPH REDINGTON, Esq. 1868–1879.

Vol. I.—1557–1696.
Vol. II.—1697–1702.
Vol. III.—1702–1707.
Vol. IV.—1708–1714.

The above Papers connected with the affairs of the Treasury comprise petitions, reports, and other documents relating to services rendered to the State, grants of money and pensions, appointments to offices, remissions of fines and duties, &c. They illustrate civil and military events, finance, the administration in Ireland and the Colonies, &c., and afford information nowhere else recorded.

CALENDAR OF THE CAREW PAPERS, preserved in the Lambeth Library. *Edited by* J. S. BREWER, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London; and WILLIAM BULLEN, Esq. 1867–1873.

Vol. I.—1515–1574.
Vol. II.—1575–1588.
Vol. III.—1589–1600.
Vol. IV.—1601–1603.
Vol. V.—Book of Howth; Miscellaneous.
Vol. VI.—1603–1624.

The Carew Papers relating to Ireland, deposited in the Lambeth Library, are unique, and of great importance. The Calendar cannot fail to be welcome to all students of Irish history.

CALENDAR OF LETTERS, DESPATCHES, AND STATE PAPERS, relating to the Negotiations between England and Spain, preserved in the Archives at Simancas, and elsewhere. *Edited by* G. A. BERGENROTH. 1862–1868.

Vol. I.—Hen. VII.—1485–1509.
Vol. II.—Hen. VIII.—1509–1525.
Supplement to Vol. I. and Vol. II.

Mr. Bergenroth was engaged in compiling a Calendar of the Papers relating to England preserved in the archives of Simancas in Spain, and the corresponding portion removed from Simancas to Paris. Mr. Bergenroth also visited Madrid, and examined the Papers there, bearing on the reign of Henry VIII. The first volume contains the Spanish Papers of the reign of Henry VII. ; the second volume, those of the first portion of the reign of Henry VIII. The Supplement contains new information relating to the private life of Queen Katharine of England ; and to the projected marriage of Henry VII. with Queen Juana, widow of King Philip of Castile, and mother of the Emperor Charles V.

CALENDAR OF LETTERS, DESPATCHES, AND STATE PAPERS, relating to the Negotiations between England and Spain, preserved in the Archives at Simancas, and elsewhere. *Edited by* DON PASCUAL DE GAYANGOS. 1873–1879.

Vol. III., Part 1.—Hen. VIII.—1525–1526.
Vol. III., Part 2.—Hen. VIII.—1527–1529.
Vol. IV., Part 1.—Hen. VIII.—1529–1530.

Upon the death of Mr. Bergenroth, Don Pascual de Gayangos was appointed to continue the Calendar of the Spanish State Papers. He has pursued a similar plan to that of his predecessor, but has been able to add much valuable matter from Brussels and Vienna, with which Mr. Bergenroth was unacquainted.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS AND MANUSCRIPTS, relating to ENGLISH AFFAIRS, preserved in the Archives of Venice, &c. *Edited by* RAWDON BROWN, Esq. 1864–1877.

Vol. I.—1202–1509.
Vol. II.—1509–1519.
Vol. III.—1520–1526.
Vol. IV.—1527–1533.
Vol. V.—1534–1554.
Vol. VI., Part I.—1555–1556.

Mr. Rawdon Brown's researches have brought to light a number of valuable documents relating to various periods of English history ; his contributions to historical literature are of the most interesting and important character.

SYLLABUS, IN ENGLISH, OF RYMER'S FŒDERA. *By* Sir THOMAS DUFFUS HARDY, D.C.L., Deputy Keeper of the Public Records. Vol. I.—Will. I.-Edw. III. ; 1066–1377. Vol. II.—Ric. II.-Chas. II. ; 1377–1654. 1869–1873.

The "Fœdera," or "Rymer's Fœdera," is a collection of miscellaneous documents illustrative of the History of Great Britain and Ireland, from the Norman Conquest to the reign of Charles II. Several editions of the "Fœdera" have been published, and the present Syllabus was undertaken to make the contents of this great National Work more generally known.

REPORT OF THE DEPUTY KEEPER OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS AND THE REV. J. S. BREWER TO THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS, upon the Carte and CarewPapers in the Bodleian and Lambeth Libraries. 1864. *Price 2s. 6d.*

REPORT OF THE DEPUTY KEEPER OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS TO THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS, upon the Documents in the Archives and Public Libraries of Venice. 1866. *Price 2s. 6d.*

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SYLLABUS, IN ENGLISH, OF RYMER'S FŒDERA. *By* Sir THOMAS DUFFUS HARDY, D.C.L., Deputy Keeper of the Public Records. Vol. III.—Appendix and Index.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS AND MANUSCRIPTS, relating to ENGLISH AFFAIRS, preserved in the Archives of Venice, &c. *Edited by* RAWDON BROWN, Esq. Vol. VI., Part II.—1556–1558.

CALENDAR OF HOME OFFICE PAPERS OF THE REIGN OF GEORGE III., preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* RICHARD ARTHUR ROBERTS, Esq., Barrister-at-Law. Vol. III.—1770–1772.

CALENDAR OF LETTERS, DESPATCHES, AND STATE PAPERS, relating to the Negotiations between England and Spain, preserved in the Archives at Simancas, and elsewhere. *Edited by* DON PASCUAL DE GAYANGOS. Vol. IV., Part 2.—Hen. VIII.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS relating to IRELAND, OF THE REIGN OF ELIZABETH, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* HANS CLAUDE HAMILTON, Esq., F.S.A. Vol. IV.—1588–1590.

CALENDAR OF DOCUMENTS relating to IRELAND, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office, London. *Edited by* HENRY SAVAGE SWEETMAN, Esq., B.A., Trinity College, Dublin, Barrister-at-Law (Ireland). Vol. IV. —1293–1301.

In Progress.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS, COLONIAL SERIES, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office, and elsewhere. *Edited by* W. NOEL SAINSBURY, Esq. Vol. VI.—East Indies, 1625, &c. Vol. VII.—America and West Indies, 1669, &c.

CALENDAR OF TREASURY PAPERS, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* JOSEPH REDINGTON, Esq. Vol. V.—1714, &c.

CALENDAR OF HOME OFFICE PAPERS OF THE REIGN OF GEORGE III., preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* RICHARD ARTHUR ROBERTS, Esq., Barrister-at-Law. Vol. IV.—1773, &c.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS, FOREIGN SERIES, OF THE REIGN OF ELIZABETH, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* ALLAN JAMES CROSBY, Esq., M.A., Barrister-at-Law. Vol. XII.—1577.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS, DOMESTIC SERIES, OF THE REIGN OF CHARLES I., preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* WILLIAM DOUGLAS HAMILTON, Esq., F.S.A. Vol. XVII.—1640.

CALENDAR OF LETTERS AND PAPERS, FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC, OF THE REIGN OF HENRY VIII., preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office, the British Museum, &c. *Edited by* JAMES GAIRDNER, Esq. Vol. VI. —1533, &c.

CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS, DOMESTIC SERIES, DURING THE COMMONWEALTH, preserved in Her Majesty's Public Record Office. *Edited by* MARY ANNE EVERETT GREEN. Vol. VIII.—1654, &c.

THE CHRONICLES AND MEMORIALS OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND DURING THE MIDDLE AGES.

[ROYAL 8vo. half-bound. *Price* 10*s*. each Volume or Part.]

On 25 July 1822, the House of Commons presented an address to the Crown, stating that the editions of the works of our ancient historians were inconvenient and defective; that many of their writings still remained in manuscript, and, in some cases, in a single copy only. They added, "that an "uniform and convenient edition of the whole, published under His Majesty's "royal sanction, would be an undertaking honourable to His Majesty's reign, "and conducive to the advancement of historical and constitutional know-"ledge; that the House therefore humbly besought His Majesty, that He "would be graciously pleased to give such directions as His Majesty, in His "wisdom, might think fit, for the publication of a complete edition of the "ancient historians of this realm, and assured His Majesty that whatever "expense might be necessary for this purpose would be made good."

The Master of the Rolls, being very desirous that effect should be given to the resolution of the House of Commons, submitted to Her Majesty's Treasury in 1857 a plan for the publication of the ancient chronicles and memorials of the United Kingdom, and it was adopted accordingly. In selecting these works, it was considered right, in the first instance, to give preference to those of which the manuscripts were unique, or the materials of which would help to fill up blanks in English history for which no satisfactory and authentic information hitherto existed in any accessible form. One great object the Master of the Rolls had in view was to form a *corpus historicum* within reasonable limits, and which should be as complete as possible. In a subject of so vast a range, it was important that the historical student should be able to select such volumes as conformed with his own peculiar tastes and studies, and not be put to the expense of purchasing the whole collection; an inconvenience inseparable from any other plan than that which has been in this instance adopted.

Of the Chronicles and Memorials, the following volumes have been published. They embrace the period from the earliest time of British history down to the end of the reign of Henry VII.

1. THE CHRONICLE OF ENGLAND, by JOHN CAPGRAVE. *Edited by* the Rev. F. C. HINGESTON, M.A., of Exeter College, Oxford. 1858.

   Capgrave was prior of Lynn, in Norfolk, and provincial of the order of the Friars Hermits of England shortly before the year 1464. His Chronicle extends from the creation of the world to the year 1417. As a record of the language spoken in Norfolk (being written in English), it is of considerable value.

2. CHRONICON MONASTERII DE ABINGDON. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* the Rev. JOSEPH STEVENSON, M.A., of University College, Durham, and Vicar of Leighton Buzzard. 1858.

   This Chronicle traces the history of the great Benedictine monastery of Abingdon in Berkshire, from its foundation by King Ina of Wessex, to the reign of Richard I., shortly after which period the present narrative was drawn up by an inmate of the establishment. The author had access to the title-deeds of the house; and incorporates into his history various charters of the Saxon kings, of great importance as illustrating not only the history of the locality but that of the kingdom. The work is printed for the first time.

3. LIVES OF EDWARD THE CONFESSOR. I.—La Estoire de Seint Aedward le Rei. II.—Vita Beati Edvardi Regis et Confessoris. III.—Vita Æduuardi Regis qui apud Westmonasterium requiescit. *Edited by* HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1858.

The first is a poem in Norman French, containing 4,686 lines, addressed to Alianor, Queen of Henry III., and probably written in the year 1245, on the occasion of the restoration of the church of Westminster. Nothing is known of the author. The second is an anonymous poem, containing 536 lines, written between the years 1440 and 1450, by command of Henry VI., to whom it is dedicated. It does not throw any new light on the reign of Edward the Confessor, but is valuable as a specimen of the Latin poetry of the time. The third, also by an anonymous author, was apparently written for Queen Edith, between the years 1066 and 1074, during the pressure of the suffering brought on the Saxons by the Norman conquest. It notices many facts not found in other writers, and some which differ considerably from the usual accounts.

4. MONUMENTA FRANCISCANA; scilicet, I.—Thomas de Eccleston de Adventu Fratrum Minorum in Angliam. II.—Adæ de Marisco Epistolæ. III.—Registrum Fratrum Minorum Londoniæ. *Edited by* J. S. BREWER, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London. 1858.

This volume contains original materials for the history of the settlement of the order of Saint Francis in England, the letters of Adam de Marisco, and other papers connected with the foundation and diffusion of this great body. It has been the aim of the editor to collect whatever historical information could be found in this country, towards illustrating a period of the national history for which only scanty materials exist. None of these have been before printed.

5. FASCICULI ZIZANIORUM MAGISTRI JOHANNIS WYCLIF CUM TRITICO. Ascribed to THOMAS NETTER, of WALDEN, Provincial of the Carmelite Order in England, and Confessor to King Henry the Fifth. *Edited by* the Rev. W. W. SHIRLEY, M.A., Tutor and late Fellow of Wadham College, Oxford. 1858.

This work derives its principal value from being the only contemporaneous account of the rise of the Lollards. When written the disputes of the schoolmen had been extended to the field of theology, and they appear both in the writings of Wycliff and in those of his adversaries. Wycliff's little bundles of tares are not less metaphysical than theological, and the conflict between Nominalists and Realists rages side by side with the conflict between the different interpreters of Scripture. The work gives a good idea of the controversies at the end of the 14th and the beginning of the 15th centuries.

6. THE BUIK OF THE CRONICLIS OF SCOTLAND; or, A Mètrical Version of the History of Hector Boece; by WILLIAM STEWART. Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited by* W. B. TURNBULL, Esq., of Lincoln's Inn, Barrister-at-Law. 1858.

This is a metrical translation of a Latin Prose Chronicle, and was written in the first half of the 16th century. The narrative begins with the earliest legends, and ends with the death of James I. of Scotland, and the "evil ending of the traitors that slew him." Strict accuracy of statement is not to be looked for in such a work as this; but the stories of the colonization of Spain, Ireland, and Scotland are interesting if not true; and the chronicle is valuable as a reflection of the manners, sentiments, and character of the age in which it was composed. The peculiarities of the Scottish dialect are well illustrated in this metrical version, and the student of language will find ample materials for comparison with the English dialects of the same period, and with modern lowland Scotch.

7. JOHANNIS CAPGRAVE LIBER DE ILLUSTRIBUS HENRICIS. *Edited by* the Rev. F. C. HINGESTON, M.A., of Exeter College, Oxford. 1858.

This work is dedicated to Henry VI. of England, who appears to have been, in the author's estimation, the greatest of all the Henries. It is divided into three

distinct parts, each having its own separate dedication. The first part relates only to the history of the Empire, and extends from the election of Henry I., the Fowler, to the end of the reign of the Emperor Henry VI. The second part is devoted to English history, and extends from the accession of Henry I. in the year 1100, to the year 1446, which was the twenty-fourth year of the reign of King Henry VI. The third part contains the lives of illustrious men who have borne the name of Henry in various parts of the world.

Capgrave was born in 1393, in the reign of Richard II., and lived during the Wars of the Roses, for the history of which period his work is of some value.

8. HISTORIA MONASTERII S. AUGUSTINI CANTUARIENSIS, by THOMAS OF ELMHAM, formerly Monk and Treasurer of that Foundation. *Edited by* CHARLES HARDWICK, M.A., Fellow of St. Catharine's Hall, and Christian Advocate in the University of Cambridge. 1858.

This history extends from the arrival of St. Augustine in Kent until 1191. Prefixed is a chronology as far as 1418, which shows in outline what was to have been the character of the work when completed. The only copy known is in the possession of Trinity Hall, Cambridge. The author was connected with Norfolk, and most probably with Elmham, whence he derived his name.

9. EULOGIUM (HISTORIARUM SIVE TEMPORIS): Chronicon ab Orbe condito usque ad Annum Domini 1366; a Monacho quodam Malmesbiriensi exaratum. Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited by* F. S. HAYDON, Esq., B.A. 1858–1863.

This is a Latin Chronicle extending from the Creation to the latter part of the reign of Edward III., and written by a monk of the Abbey of Malmesbury, in Wiltshire, about the year 1367. A continuation, carrying the history of England down to the year 1413, was added in the former half of the fifteenth century by an author whose name is not known. The original Chronicle is divided into five books, and contains a history of the world generally, but more especially of England to the year 1366. The continuation extends the history down to the coronation of Henry V. The Eulogium itself is chiefly valuable as containing a history, by a contemporary, of the period between 1356 and 1366. The notices of events appear to have been written very soon after their occurrence. Among other interesting matter, the Chronicle contains a diary of the Poitiers campaign, evidently furnished by some person who accompanied the army of the Black Prince. The continuation of the Chronicle is also the work of a contemporary, and gives a very interesting account of the reigns of Richard II. and Henry IV. It is believed to be the earliest authority for the statement that the latter monarch died in the Jerusalem Chamber at Westminster.

10. MEMORIALS OF HENRY THE SEVENTH: Bernardi Andreæ Tholosatis Vita Regis Henrici Septimi; necnon alia quædam ad eundem Regem spectantia. *Edited by* JAMES GAIRDNER, Esq. 1858.

The contents of this volume are—(1) a life of Henry VII., by his poet laureate and historiographer, Bernard André, of Toulouse, with some compositions in verse, of which he is supposed to have been the author; (2) the journals of Roger Machado during certain embassies on which he was sent by Henry VII. to Spain and Brittany, the first of which had reference to the marriage of the King's son, Arthur, with Catharine of Arragon; (3) two curious reports by envoys sent to Spain in the year 1505 touching the succession to the Crown of Castile, and a project of marriage between Henry VII. and the Queen of Naples; and (4) an account of Philip of Castile's reception in England in 1506. Other documents of interest in connexion with the period are given in an appendix.

11. MEMORIALS OF HENRY THE FIFTH. I.—Vita Henrici Quinti, Roberto Redmanno auctore. II.—Versus Rhythmici in laudem Regis Henrici Quinti. III.—Elmhami Liber Metricus de Henrico V. *Edited by* CHARLES A. COLE, Esq. 1858.

This volume contains three treatises which more or less illustrate the history of the reign of Henry V., viz.: A Life by Robert Redman; a Metrical Chronicle by Thomas Elmham, prior of Lenton, a contemporary author; Versus Rhythmici, written apparently by a monk of Westminster Abbey, who was also a contemporary of Henry V. These works are printed for the first time.

12. MUNIMENTA GILDHALLÆ LONDONIENSIS; Liber Albus, Liber Custumarum, et Liber Horn, in archivis Gildhallæ asservati. Vol. I., Liber Albus. Vol. II. (in Two Parts), Liber Custumarum. Vol. III. Translation of the Anglo-Norman Passages in Liber Albus, Glossaries, Appendices, and Index. *Edited by* HENRY THOMAS RILEY, Esq., M.A., Barrister-at-Law. 1859–1862.

The manuscript of the *Liber Albus*, compiled by John Carpenter, Common Clerk of the City of London in the year 1419, a large folio volume, is preserved in the Record Room of the City of London. It gives an account of the laws, regulations, and institutions of that City in the twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, and early part of the fifteenth centuries.

The *Liber Custumarum* was compiled probably by various hands in the early part of the fourteenth century during the reign of Edward II. The manuscript, a folio volume, is also preserved in the Record Room of the City of London, though some portion in its original state, borrowed from the City in the reign of Queen Elizabeth and never returned, forms part of the Cottonian MS. Claudius D. II. in the British Museum. It also gives an account of the laws, regulations, and institutions of the City of London in the twelfth, thirteenth, and early part of the fourteenth centuries.

13. CHRONICA JOHANNIS DE OXENEDES. *Edited by* Sir HENRY ELLIS, K.H. 1859.

Although this Chronicle tells of the arrival of Hengist and Horsa in England in the year 449, yet it substantially begins with the reign of King Alfred, and comes down to the year 1292, where it ends abruptly. The history is particularly valuable for notices of events in the eastern portions of the kingdom which are not to be elsewhere obtained, and some curious facts are mentioned relative to the floods in that part of England, which are confirmed in the Friesland Chronicle of Anthony Heinrich, pastor of the Island of Mohr.

14. A COLLECTION OF POLITICAL POEMS AND SONGS RELATING TO ENGLISH HISTORY, FROM THE ACCESSION OF EDWARD III. TO THE REIGN OF HENRY VIII. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* THOMAS WRIGHT, Esq., M.A. 1859–1861.

These Poems are perhaps the most interesting of all the historical writings of the period, though they cannot be relied on for accuracy of statement. They are various in character; some are upon religious subjects, some may be called satires, and some give no more than a court scandal; but as a whole they present a very fair picture of society, and of the relations of the different classes to one another. The period comprised is in itself interesting, and brings us, through the decline of the feudal system, to the beginning of our modern history. The songs in old English are of considerable value to the philologist.

15. The "OPUS TERTIUM," "OPUS MINUS," &c., of ROGER BACON. *Edited by* J. S. BREWER, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London. 1859.

This is the celebrated treatise—never before printed—so frequently referred to by the great philosopher in his works. It contains the fullest details we possess of the life and labours of Roger Bacon: also a fragment by the same author, supposed to be unique, the "*Compendium Studii Theologiæ.*"

16. BARTHOLOMÆI DE COTTON, MONACHI NORWICENSIS, HISTORIA ANGLICANA; 449–1298: necnon ejusdem Liber de Archiepiscopis et Episcopis Angliæ. *Edited by* HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1859.

The author, a monk of Norwich, has here given us a Chronicle of England from the arrival of the Saxons in 449 to the year 1298, in or about which year it appears that he died. The latter portion of this history (the whole of the reign of Edward I. more especially) is of great value, as the writer was contemporary with the events which he records. An Appendix contains several illustrative documents connected with the previous narrative.

17. BRUT Y TYWYSOGION; or, The Chronicle of the Princes of Wales. *Edited by* the Rev. JOHN WILLIAMS AB ITHEL, M.A. 1860.

This work, also known as "The Chronicle of the Princes of Wales," has been attributed to Caradoc of Llancarvan, who flourished about the middle of the twelfth century. It is written in the ancient Welsh language, begins with the abdication and death of Caedwala at Rome, in the year 681, and continues the history down to the subjugation of Wales by Edward I., about the year 1282.

18. A COLLECTION OF ROYAL AND HISTORICAL LETTERS DURING THE REIGN OF HENRY IV. 1399–1404. *Edited by* the Rev. F. C. HINGESTON, M.A., of Exeter College, Oxford. 1860.

This volume, like all the others in the series containing a miscellaneous selection of letters, is valuable on account of the light it throws upon biographical history, and the familiar view it presents of characters, manners, and events. The period requires much elucidation; to which it will materially contribute.

19. THE REPRESSOR OF OVER MUCH BLAMING OF THE CLERGY. By REGINALD PECOCK, sometime Bishop of Chichester. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* CHURCHILL BABINGTON, B.D., Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. 1860.

The "Repressor" may be considered the earliest piece of good theological disquisition of which our English prose literature can boast. The author was born about the end of the fourteenth century, consecrated Bishop of St. Asaph in the year 1444, and translated to the see of Chichester in 1450. While Bishop of St. Asaph, he zealously defended his brother prelates from the attacks of those who censured the bishops for their neglect of duty. He maintained that it was no part of a bishop's functions to appear in the pulpit, and that his time might be more profitably spent, and his dignity better maintained, in the performance of works of a higher character. Among those who thought differently were the Lollards, and against their general doctrines the "Repressor" is directed. Pecock took up a position midway between that of the Roman Church and that of the modern Anglican Church; but his work is interesting chiefly because it gives a full account of the views of the Lollards and of the arguments by which they were supported, and because it assists us to ascertain the state of feeling which ultimately led to the Reformation. Apart from religious matters, the light thrown upon contemporaneous history is very small, but the "Repressor" has great value for the philologist, as it tells us what were the characteristics of the language in use among the cultivated Englishmen of the fifteenth century. Pecock, though an opponent of the Lollards, showed a certain spirit of toleration, for which he received, towards the end of his life, the usual mediæval reward—persecution.

20. ANNALES CAMBRIÆ. *Edited by* the Rev. JOHN WILLIAMS AB ITHEL, M.A. 1860.

These annals, which are in Latin, commence in the year 447, and come down to the year 1288. The earlier portion appears to be taken from an Irish Chronicle, which was also used by Tigernach, and by the compiler of the Annals of Ulster. During its first century it contains scarcely anything relating to Britain, the earliest direct concurrence with English history is relative to the mission of Augustine. Its notices throughout, though brief, are valuable. The annals were probably written at St. Davids, by Blegewryd, Archdeacon of Llandaff, the most learned man in his day in all Cymru.

21. THE WORKS OF GIRALDUS CAMBRENSIS. Vols. I., II., III., and IV. *Edited by* J. S. BREWER, M.A., Professor of English Literature, King's College, London. Vols. V., VI., and VII. *Edited by* the Rev. JAMES F. DIMOCK, M.A., Rector of Barnburgh, Yorkshire. 1861–1877.

These volumes contain the historical works of Gerald du Barry, who lived in the reigns of Henry II., Richard I., and John, and attempted to re-establish the independence of Wales by restoring the see of St. Davids to its ancient primacy. His works are of a very miscellaneous nature, both in prose and verse, and are remarkable chiefly for the racy and original anecdotes which they contain relating to contemporaries. He is the only Welsh writer of any importance who has contributed so much to the mediæval literature of this country, or assumed, in consequence of his nationality, so free and independent a tone. His frequent travels in Italy, in France, in Ireland, and in Wales, gave him opportunities for observation which did not generally fall to the lot of mediæval writers in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries, and of these observations Giraldus has made due use. Only extracts from these treatises have been printed before, and almost all of them are taken from unique manuscripts.

The Topographia Hibernica (in Vol. V.) is the result of Giraldus' two visits to Ireland. The first in the year 1183, the second in 1185–6, when he accompanied Prince John into that country. Curious as this treatise is, Mr. Dimock is of opinion that it ought not to be accepted as sober truthful history, for Giraldus himself states that truth was not his main object, and that he compiled the work for the purpose of sounding the praises of Henry the Second. Elsewhere, however, he declares that he had stated nothing in the Topographia of the truth of which he was not well assured, either by his own eyesight or by the testimony, with all diligence elicited, of the most trustworthy and authentic men in the country; that though he did not put just the same full faith in their reports as in what he had himself seen, yet, as they only related what they had themselves seen, he could not but believe such credible witnesses. A very interesting portion of this treatise is devoted to the animals of Ireland. It shows that he was a very accurate and acute observer, and his descriptions are given in a way that a scientific naturalist of the present day could hardly improve upon. The Expugnatio Hibernica was written about the year 1188 and may be regarded rather as a great epic than a sober relation of acts occurring in his own days. No one can peruse it without coming to the conclusion that it is rather a poetical fiction than a prosaic truthful history.

Vol. VI. contains the Itinerarium Kambriæ et Descriptio Kambriæ: and Vol. VII., the lives of S. Remigius and S. Hugh.

22. LETTERS AND PAPERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE WARS OF THE ENGLISH IN FRANCE DURING THE REIGN OF HENRY THE SIXTH, KING OF ENGLAND. Vol. I., and Vol. II. (in Two Parts). *Edited by* the Rev. JOSEPH STEVENSON, M.A., of University College, Durham, and Vicar of Leighton Buzzard. 1861–1864.

The letters and papers contained in these volumes are derived chiefly from originals or contemporary copies extant in the Bibliothèque Impériale, and the Depôt des Archives, in Paris. They illustrate the line of policy adopted by John Duke of Bedford and his successors during their government of Normandy, and such other provinces of France as had been acquired by Henry V. We may here trace, step by step, the gradual declension of the English power, until we are prepared to read of its final overthrow.

23. THE ANGLO-SAXON CHRONICLE, ACCORDING TO THE SEVERAL ORIGINAL AUTHORITIES. Vol. I., Original Texts. Vol. II., Translation. *Edited and translated by* BENJAMIN THORPE, Esq., Member of the Royal Academy of Sciences at Munich, and of the Society of Netherlandish Literature at Leyden. 1861.

This Chronicle, extending from the earliest history of Britain to the year 1154, is justly the boast of England; for no other nation can produce any history, written in its own vernacular, at all approaching it, either in antiquity, truthfulness, or extent, the historical books of the Bible alone excepted. There are at present six independent manuscripts of the Saxon Chronicle, ending in different years, and written in different parts of the country. In this edition, the text of each manuscript is printed in columns on the same page, so that the student may see at a glance the various changes which occur in orthography, whether arising from locality or age.

24. LETTERS AND PAPERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE REIGNS OF RICHARD III. AND HENRY VII. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* JAMES GAIRDNER, Esq. 1861–1863.

The Papers are derived from MSS. in the Public Record Office, the British Museum, and other repositories. The period to which they refer is unusually destitute of chronicles and other sources of historical information, so that the light obtained from these documents is of special importance. The principal contents of the volumes are some diplomatic Papers of Richard III.; correspondence between Henry VII. and Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain; documents relating to Edmund de la Pole, Earl of Suffolk; and a portion of the correspondence of James IV. of Scotland.

25. LETTERS OF BISHOP GROSSETESTE, illustrative of the Social Condition of his Time. *Edited by* HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1861.

The Letters of Robert Grosseteste (131 in number) are here collected from various sources, and a large portion of them is printed for the first time. They range in date from about 1210 to 1253, and relate to various matters connected not only with the political history of England during the reign of Henry III., but with its ecclesiastical condition. They refer especially to the diocese of Lincoln, of which Grosseteste was bishop.

26. DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUE OF MANUSCRIPTS RELATING TO THE HISTORY OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND. Vol. I. (in Two Parts); Anterior to the Norman Invasion. Vol. II.; 1066–1200. Vol. III.; 1200–1327. *By* Sir THOMAS DUFFUS HARDY, D.C.L., Deputy Keeper of the Public Records. 1862–1871.

The object of this work is to publish notices of all known sources of British history, both printed and unprinted, in one continued sequence. The materials, when historical (as distinguished from biographical), are arranged under the year in which the latest event is recorded in the chronicle or history, and not under the period in which its author, real or supposed, flourished. Biographies are enumerated under the year in which the person commemorated died, and no under the year in which the life was written. This arrangement has two advantages; the materials for any given period may be seen at a glance; and if the reader knows the time when an author wrote, and the number of years that had elapsed between the date of the events and the time the writer flourished, he will generally be enabled to form a fair estimate of the comparative value of the narrative itself. A brief analysis of each work has been added when deserving it, in which the original portions are distinguished from those which are mere compilations. When possible, the sources are indicated from which such compilations have been derived. A biographical sketch of the author of each piece has been added, and a brief notice has also been given of such British authors as have written on historical subjects.

27. ROYAL AND OTHER HISTORICAL LETTERS ILLUSTRATIVE OF THE REIGN OF HENRY III. Vol. I., 1216–1235. Vol. II., 1236–1272. *Selected and edited by* the Rev. W. W. SHIRLEY, D.D., Regius Professor in Ecclesiastical History, and Canon of Christ Church, Oxford. 1862–1866.

The letters contained in these volumes are derived chiefly from the ancient correspondence formerly in the Tower of London, and now in the Public Record Office. They illustrate the political history of England during the growth of its liberties, and throw considerable light upon the personal history of Simon de Montfort. The affairs of France form the subject of many of them, especially in regard to the province of Gascony. The entire collection consists of nearly 700 documents, the greater portion of which is printed for the first time.

28. CHRONICA MONASTERII S. ALBANI.—1. THOMÆ WALSINGHAM HISTORIA ANGLICANA; Vol. I., 1272–1381: Vol. II., 1381–1422. 2. WILLELMI RISHANGER CHRONICA ET ANNALES, 1259–1307. 3. JOHANNIS DE TROKELOWE ET HENRICI DE BLANEFORDE CHRONICA ET ANNALES, 1259–1296; 1307–1324; 1392–1406. 4. GESTA ABBATUM MONASTERII S. ALBANI, A THOMA WALSINGHAM, REGNANTE RICARDO SECUNDO, EJUSDEM ECCLESIÆ PRÆCENTORE, COMPILATA; Vol. I., 793–1290: Vol. II., 1290–1349: Vol. III., 1349–1411. 5. JOHANNIS AMUNDESHAM, MONACHI MONASTERII S. ALBANI, UT VIDETUR, ANNALES; Vols. I.

and II. 6. REGISTRA QUORUNDAM ABBATUM MONASTERII S. ALBANI, QUI SÆCULO XV^mo FLORUERE; Vol. I., REGISTRUM ABBATIÆ JOHANNIS WHETHAMSTEDE, ABBATIS MONASTERII SANCTI ALBANI, ITERUM SUSCEPTÆ; ROBERTO BLAKENEY, CAPELLANO, QUONDAM ADSCRIPTUM: Vol. II., REGISTRA JOHANNIS WHETHAMSTEDE, WILLELMI ALBON, ET WILLELMI WALINGFORDE, ABBATUM MONASTERII SANCTI ALBANI, CUM APPENDICE, CONTINENTE QUASDAM EPISTOLAS, A JOHANNE WHETHAMSTEDE CONSCRIPTAS. 7. YPODIGMA NEUSTRIÆ, A THOMA WALSINGHAM, QUONDAM MONACHO MONASTERII S. ALBANI, CONSCRIPTUM. *Edited by* HENRY THOMAS RILEY, Esq., M.A., Cambridge and Oxford; and of the Inner Temple, Barrister-at-Law. 1863–1876.

In the first two volumes is a History of England, from the death of Henry III. to the death of Henry V., by Thomas Walsingham, Precentor of St. Albans, from MS. VII. in the Arundel Collection in the College of Arms, London, a manuscript of the fifteenth century, collated with MS. 13 E. IX. in the King's Library in the British Museum, and MS. VII. in the Parker Collection of Manuscripts at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.

In the third volume is a Chronicle of English History, attributed to William Rishanger, who lived in the reign of Edward I., from the Cotton. MS. Faustina B. IX. in the British Museum, collated with MS. 14 C. VII. (fols. 219–231) in the King's Library, British Museum, and the Cotton MS. Claudius E. III., fols. 306–331: an account of transactions attending the award of the kingdom of Scotland to John Balliol, 1291–1292, from MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI., also attributed to William Rishanger, but on no sufficient ground: a short Chronicle of English History, 1292 to 1300, by an unknown hand, from MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI.: a short Chronicle Willelmi Rishanger Gesta Edwardi Primi, Regis Angliæ, from MS. 14 C. I. in the Royal Library, and MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI., with Annales Regum Angliæ, probably by the same hand: and fragments of three Chronicles of English History, 1285 to 1307.

In the fourth volume is a Chronicle of English History, 1259 to 1296, from MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI.: Annals of Edward II., 1307 to 1323, by John de Trokelowe, a monk of St. Albans, and a continuation of Trokelowe's Annals, 1323, 1324, by Henry de Blaneforde, both from MS. Cotton. Claudius D. VI.: a full Chronicle of English History, 1392 to 1406, from MS. VII. in the Library of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge; and an account of the Benefactors of St. Albans, written in the early part of the fifteenth century, from MS. VI. in the same Library.

The fifth, sixth, and seventh volumes contain a history of the Abbots of St. Albans, 793 to 1411, mainly compiled by Thomas Walsingham, from MS. Cotton. Claudius E. IV., in the British Museum: with a Continuation, from the closing pages of Parker MS. VII., in the Library of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.

The eighth and ninth volumes, in continuation of the Annals, contain a Chronicle, probably by John Amundesham, a monk of St. Albans.

The tenth and eleventh volumes relate especially to the acts and proceedings of Abbots Whethamstede, Albon, and Wallingford, and may be considered as a memorial of the chief historical and domestic events during those periods.

The twelfth volume contains a compendious History of England to the reign of Henry V., and of Normandy in early times, also by Thomas Walsingham, and dedicated to Henry V. The compiler has often substituted other authorities in place of those consulted in the preparation of his larger work.

29. CHRONICON ABBATIÆ EVESHAMENSIS, AUCTORIBUS DOMINICO PRIORE EVESHAMIÆ ET THOMA DE MARLEBERGE ABBATE, A FUNDATIONE AD ANNUM 1213, UNA CUM CONTINUATIONE AD ANNUM 1418. *Edited by* the Rev. W. D. MACRAY, M.A., Bodleian Library, Oxford. 1863.

The Chronicle of Evesham illustrates the history of that important monastery from its foundation by Egwin, about 690, to the year 1418. Its chief feature is an autobiography, which makes us acquainted with the inner daily life of a great abbey, such as but rarely has been recorded. Interspersed are many notices of general, personal, and local history which will be read with much interest. This work exists in a single MS., and is for the first time printed.

30. RICARDI DE CIRENCESTRIA SPECULUM HISTORIALE DE GESTIS REGUM ANGLIÆ. Vol. I., 447–871. Vol. II., 872–1066. *Edited by* JOHN E. B. MAYOR, M.A., Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. 1863–1869.

The compiler, Richard of Cirencester, was a monk of Westminster, 1355–1400. In 1391 he obtained a licence to make a pilgrimage to Rome. His history, in four books, extends from 447 to 1066. He announces his intention of continuing it, but there is no evidence that he completed any more. This chronicle gives many charters in favour of Westminster Abbey, and a very full account of the lives and miracles of the saints, especially of Edward the Confessor, whose reign occupies the fourth book. A treatise on the Coronation, by William of Sudbury, a monk of Westminster, fills book iii. c. 3. It was on this author that C. J. Bertram fathered his forgery, *De Situ Brittaniæ*, in 1747.

31. YEAR BOOKS OF THE REIGN OF EDWARD THE FIRST. Years 20–21, 21–22, 30–31, 32–33, and 33–35. *Edited and translated by* ALFRED JOHN HORWOOD, Esq., of the Middle Temple, Barrister-at-Law. 1863–1879.

The volumes known as the "Year Books" contain reports in Norman-French of cases argued and decided in the Courts of Common Law. They may be considered to a great extent as the "lex non scripta" of England, and have been held in the highest veneration by the ancient sages of the law, and were received by them as the repositories of the first recorded judgments and dicta of the great legal luminaries of past ages. They are also worthy of the attention of the general reader on account of the historical information and the notices of public and private persons which they contain, as well as the light which they throw on ancient manners and customs.

32. NARRATIVES OF THE EXPULSION OF THE ENGLISH FROM NORMANDY, 1449–1450.—Robertus Blondelli de Reductione Normanniæ: Le Recouvrement de Normendie, par Berry, Hérault du Roy: Conferences between the Ambassadors of France and England. *Edited, from MSS. in the Imperial Library at Paris, by* the Rev. JOSEPH STEVENSON, M.A., of University College, Durham. 1863.

This volume contains the narrative of an eye-witness who details with considerable power and minuteness the circumstances which attended the final expulsion of the English from Normandy in the year 1450. The history commences with the infringement of the truce by the capture of Fougères, and ends with the battle of Formigny and the embarkation of the Duke of Somerset. The whole period embraced is less than two years.

33. HISTORIA ET CARTULARIUM MONASTERII S. PETRI GLOUCESTRIÆ. Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited by* W. H. HART, Esq., F.S.A., Membre correspondant de la Société des Antiquaires de Normandie. 1863–1867.

This work consists of two parts, the History and the Cartulary of the Monastery of St. Peter, Gloucester. The history furnishes an account of the monastery from its foundation, in the year 681, to the early part of the reign of Richard II., together with a calendar of donations and benefactions. It treats principally of the affairs of the monastery, but occasionally matters of general history are introduced. Its authorship has generally been assigned to Walter Froucester, the twentieth abbot, but without any foundation.

34. ALEXANDRI NECKAM DE NATURIS RERUM LIBRI DUO; with NECKAM'S POEM, DE LAUDIBUS DIVINÆ SAPIENTIÆ. *Edited by* THOMAS WRIGHT, Esq., M.A. 1863.

Neckam was a man who devoted himself to science, such as it was in the twelfth century. In the "De Naturis Rerum" are to be found what may be called the rudiments of many sciences mixed up with much error and ignorance. Neckam was not thought infallible, even by his contemporaries, for Roger Bacon remarks of him, "this Alexander in many things wrote what was true and useful; "but he neither can nor ought by just title to be reckoned among authorities." Neckam, however, had sufficient independence of thought to differ from some of the schoolmen who in his time considered themselves the only judges of literature. He had his own views in morals, and in giving us a glimpse of them, as well as of his other opinions, he throws much light upon the manners, customs, and general tone of thought prevalent in the twelfth century. The poem entitled "De Laudibus Divinæ Sapientiæ" appears to be a metrical paraphrase or abridgment of the "De Naturis Rerum." It is written in the elegiac metre;

and though there are many lines which violate classical rules, it is, as a whole, above the ordinary standard of mediæval Latin.

35. LEECHDOMS, WORTCUNNING, AND STARCRAFT OF EARLY ENGLAND; being a Collection of Documents illustrating the History of Science in this Country before the Norman Conquest. Vols. I., II., and III. *Collected and edited by* the Rev. T. OSWALD COCKAYNE, M.A., of St. John's College, Cambridge. 1864–1866.

This work illustrates not only the history of science, but the history of superstition. In addition to the information bearing directly upon the medical skill and medical faith of the times, there are many passages which incidentally throw light upon the general mode of life and ordinary diet. The volumes are interesting not only in their scientific, but also in their social aspect. The manuscripts from which they have been printed are valuable to the Anglo-Saxon scholar for the illustrations they afford of Anglo-Saxon orthography.

36. ANNALES MONASTICI. Vol. I.:—Annales de Margan, 1066–1232; Annales de Theokesberia, 1066–1263; Annales de Burton, 1004–1263. Vol. II.:—Annales Monasterii de Wintonia, 519–1277; Annales Monasterii de Waverleia, 1–1291. Vol. III.:—Annales Prioratus de Dunstaplia, 1–1297. Annales Monasterii de Bermundeseia, 1042–1432. Vol. IV.:—Annales Monasterii de Oseneia, 1016–1347; Chronicon vulgo dictum Chronicon Thomæ Wykes, 1066–1289; Annales Prioratus de Wigornia, 1–1377. Vol. V.:—Index and Glossary. *Edited by* HENRY RICHARDS LUARD, M.A., Fellow and Assistant Tutor of Trinity College, and Registrary of the University, Cambridge. 1864–1869.

The present collection of Monastic Annals embraces all the more important chronicles compiled in religious houses in England during the thirteenth century. These distinct works are ten in number. The extreme period which they embrace ranges from the year 1 to 1432, although they refer more especially to the reigns of John, Henry III., and Edward I. Some of these narratives have already appeared in print, but others are printed for the first time.

37. MAGNA VITA S. HUGONIS EPISCOPI LINCOLNIENSIS. From Manuscripts in the Bodleian Library, Oxford, and the Imperial Library, Paris. *Edited by* the Rev. JAMES F. DIMOCK, M.A., Rector of Barnburgh, Yorkshire. 1864.

This work contains a number of very curious and interesting incidents, and being the work of a contemporary, is very valuable, not only as a truthful biography of a celebrated ecclesiastic, but as the work of a man, who, from personal knowledge, gives notices of passing events, as well as of individuals who were then taking active part in public affairs. The author, in all probability, was Adam Abbot of Evesham. He was domestic chaplain and private confessor of Bishop Hugh, and in these capacities was admitted to the closest intimacy. Bishop Hugh was Prior of Witham for 11 years before he became Bishop of Lincoln. His consecration took place on the 21st September 1186; he died on the 16th of November 1200; and was canonized in 1220.

38. CHRONICLES AND MEMORIALS OF THE REIGN OF RICHARD THE FIRST. Vol. I.:—ITINERARIUM PEREGRINORUM ET GESTA REGIS RICARDI. Vol. II.:—EPISTOLÆ CANTUARIENSES; the Letters of the Prior and Convent of Christ Church, Canterbury; 1187 to 1199. *Edited by* WILLIAM STUBBS, M.A., Vicar of Navestock, Essex, and Lambeth Librarian. 1864–1865.

The authorship of the Chronicle in Vol. I., hitherto ascribed to Geoffrey Vinesauf, is now more correctly ascribed to Richard, Canon of the Holy Trinity of London. The narrative extends from 1187 to 1199; but its chief interest consists in the minute and authentic narrative which it furnishes of the exploits of Richard I., from his departure from England in December 1189 to his death in 1199. The author states in his prologue that he was an eye-witness of much that he records; and various incidental circumstances which occur in the course of the narrative confirm this assertion.

The letters in Vol. II., written between 1187 and 1199, are of value as furnishing authentic materials for the history of the ecclesiastical condition of England during the reign of Richard I. They had their origin in a dispute which arose from the attempts of Baldwin and Hubert, archbishops of Canterbury, to

found a college of secular canons, a project which gave great umbrage to the monks of Canterbury, who saw in it a design to supplant them in their function of metropolitan chapter. These letters are printed, for the first time, from a MS. belonging to the archiepiscopal library at Lambeth.

39. RECUEIL DES CRONIQUES ET ANCHIENNES ISTORIES DE LA GRANT BRETAIGNE A PRESENT NOMME ENGLETERRE, par JEHAN DE WAURIN. Vol. I. Albina to 688. Vol. II., 1399–1422. Vol. III., 1422–1431. *Edited by* WILLIAM HARDY, Esq., F.S.A. 1864–1879.

40. A COLLECTION OF THE CHRONICLES AND ANCIENT HISTORIES OF GREAT BRITAIN, NOW CALLED ENGLAND, by JOHN DE WAVRIN. Albina to 688. (Translation of the preceding Vol. I.) *Edited and translated by* WILLIAM HARDY, Esq., F.S.A. 1864.

This curious chronicle extends from the fabulous period of history down to the return of Edward IV. to England in the year 1471 after the second deposition of Henry VI. The manuscript from which the text of the work is taken is preserved in the Imperial Library at Paris, and is believed to be the only complete and nearly contemporary copy in existence. The work, as originally bound, was comprised in six volumes, since rebound in morocco in 12 volumes, folio maximo, vellum, and is illustrated with exquisite miniatures, vignettes, and initial letters. It was written towards the end of the fifteenth century, having been expressly executed for Louis de Bruges, Seigneur de la Gruthuyse and Earl of Winchester, from whose cabinet it passed into the library of Louis XII. at Blois.

41. POLYCHRONICON RANULPHI HIGDEN, with Trevisa's Translation. Vols. I. and II. *Edited by* CHURCHILL BABINGTON, B.D., Senior Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge. Vols. III., IV., V., VI., and VII. *Edited by* the Rev. JOSEPH RAWSON LUMBY, D.D., Norrisian Professor of Divinity, Vicar of St. Edward's, Fellow of St. Catharine's College, and late Fellow of Magdalene College, Cambridge. 1865–1879.

This is one of the many mediæval chronicles which assume the character of a history of the world. It begins with the creation, and is brought down to the author's own time, the reign of Edward III. Prefixed to the historical portion, is a chapter devoted to geography, in which is given a description of every known land. To say that the Polychronicon was written in the fourteenth century is to say that it is not free from inaccuracies. It has, however, a value apart from its intrinsic merits. It enables us to form a very fair estimate of the knowledge of history and geography which well-informed readers of the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries possessed, for it was then the standard work on general history.

The two English translations, which are printed with the original Latin, afford interesting illustrations of the gradual change of our language, for one was made in the fourteenth century, the other in the fifteenth. The differences between Trevisa's version and that of the unknown writer are often considerable.

42. LE LIVERE DE REIS DE BRITTANIE E LE LIVERE DE REIS DE ENGLETERE. *Edited by* JOHN GLOVER, M.A., Vicar of Brading, Isle of Wight, formerly Librarian of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1865.

These two treatises, though they cannot rank as independent narratives, are nevertheless valuable as careful abstracts of previous historians, especially "Le Livere de Reis de Engletere." Some various readings are given which are interesting to the philologist as instances of semi-Saxonized French.

It is supposed that Peter of Ickham must have been the author, but no certain conclusion on that point has been arrived at.

43. CHRONICA MONASTERII DE MELSA, AB ANNO 1150 USQUE AD ANNUM 1406. Vols. I., II., and III. *Edited by* EDWARD AUGUSTUS BOND, Esq., Assistant Keeper of the Manuscripts, and Egerton Librarian, British Museum. 1866–1868.

The Abbey of Meaux was a Cistercian house, and the work of its abbot is both curious and valuable. It is a faithful and often minute record of the establishment of a religious community, of its progress in forming an ample revenue, of its struggles to maintain its acquisitions, and of its relations to the governing institutions of the country. In addition to the private affairs of the monastery, some light is thrown upon the public events of the time, which are however kept distinct, and appear at the end of the history of each abbot's administration. The text has been printed from what is said to be the autograph of the original compiler, Thomas de Burton, the nineteenth abbot.

44. MATTHÆI PARISIENSIS HISTORIA ANGLORUM, SIVE, UT VULGO DICITUR, HISTORIA MINOR. Vols. I., II., and III. 1067–1253. *Edited by* Sir FREDERIC MADDEN, K.H., Keeper of the Department of Manuscripts, British Museum. 1866–1869.

The exact date at which this work was written is, according to the chronicler, 1250. The history is of considerable value as an illustration of the period during which the author lived, and contains a good summary of the events which followed the Conquest. This minor chronicle is, however, based on another work (also written by Matthew Paris) giving fuller details, which has been called the "Historia Major." The chronicle here published, nevertheless, gives some information not to be found in the greater history.

45. LIBER MONASTERII DE HYDA: A CHRONICLE AND CHARTULARY OF HYDE ABBEY, WINCHESTER, 455–1023. *Edited, from a Manuscript in the Library of the Earl of Macclesfield, by* EDWARD EDWARDS, Esq. 1866.

The "Book of Hyde" is a compilation from much earlier sources which are usually indicated with considerable care and precision. In many cases, however, the Hyde chronicler appears to correct, to qualify, or to amplify—either from tradition or from sources of information not now discoverable—the statements, which, in substance, he adopts. He also mentions, and frequently quotes from writers whose works are either entirely lost or at present known only by fragments.

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There is, in this volume, a legendary account of the peopling of Ireland and of the adventures which befell the various heroes who are said to have been connected with Irish history. The details are, however, very meagre both for this period and for the time when history becomes more authentic. The plan adopted in the chronicle gives the appearance of an accuracy to which the earlier portions of the work cannot have any claim. The succession of events is marked, year by year, from A.M. 1599 to A.D. 1150. The principal events narrated in the later portion of the work are, the invasions of foreigners, and the wars of the Irish among themselves. The text has been printed from a MS. preserved in the library of Trinity College, Dublin, written partly in Latin, partly in Irish.

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It is probable that Pierre de Langtoft was a canon of Bridlington, in Yorkshire, and that he lived in the reign of Edward I., and during a portion of the reign of Edward II. This chronicle is divided into three parts; in the first is an abridgment of Geoffrey of Monmouth's "Historia Britonum," in the second, a history of the Anglo-Saxon and Norman kings, down to the death of Henry III., and in the third a history of the reign of Edward I. The principal object of the work was apparently to show the justice of Edward's Scottish wars. The language is singularly corrupt, and a curious specimen of the French of Yorkshire.

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The work in its present form, in the editor's opinion, is a comparatively modern version of an undoubtedly ancient original. That it was compiled from contemporary materials has been proved by curious incidental evidence. It is stated in the account given of the battle of Clontarf that the full tide in Dublin Bay on the day of the battle (23 April 1014) coincided with sunrise; and that the returning tide in the evening aided considerably in the defeat of the Danes. The fact has been verified by astronomical calculations, and the inference is that the author of the chronicle, if not himself an eye-witness, must have derived his information from those who were eye-witnesses. The contents of the work are sufficiently described in its title. The story is told after the manner of the Scandinavian Sagas, with poems and fragments of poems introduced into the prose narrative.

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This chronicle of the reigns of Henry II. and Richard I., known commonly under the name of Benedict of Peterborough, is one of the best existing specimens of a class of historical compositions of the first importance to the student.

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The original of this chronicle has passed under various names. The title of "Annals of Loch Cé" was given to it by Professor O'Curry, on the ground that it was transcribed for Brian Mac Dermot, an Irish chieftain, who resided on the island in Loch Cé, in the county of Roscommon. It adds much to the materials for the civil and ecclesiastical history of Ireland; and contains many curious references to English and foreign affairs, not noticed in any other chronicle.

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